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REPRODUCED FROM THE
ORIGINAL LITHOGRAPHS
PUBLISHED FROM 1856 TO 1872
WITH INTRODUCTION

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INTRODUCTION

POLITICAL CARICATURE, like the newspaper press, is a comparatively recent method for the expression of opinion and criticism, though it antedates the modern newspaper which reviews in editorials the actions of those in power. Its earliest legitimate forms may be seen in the famous folio volume of the caricatures of James Gillray, the English artist, who devoted his genius to castigating the social and political evils of his time and holding up to ridicule the foibles and habits of the then reigning Hanoverian family. Born in 1757, he early evinced a remarkable artistic ability, but it was not until 1780 that Gillray interested himself in politics chiefly; and, although, he ceased to work after 1810, he had achieved, long before that time, an enormous popularity through the terrible power of his scathing and even ruthless wit. His coarseness of satiric expression, however, removes him altogether from the caricature artists of our day.

In 1830, John Doyle, the father of Richard Doyle the celebrated artist of "Punch," began to issue his long series of political cartoons, under the signature,

"H. B." These consisted mainly of satirical portraits of contemporary English celebrities of the political world, whose conduct in the affairs of state called for censure and animadversion. They made a great sensation at the time, but they are not now very highly esteemed either for their historical interest or artistic value. Doyle, however, was really the founder of the modern school of caricature art, and it is due to his influence and the establishment, in 1841, of the English comic weekly, "Punch," that the art was cultivated and exploited in the United States.

Doyle differed from Gillray in that he reproduced the exact portraits of the people he caricatured, and this method was followed by the American artists who, in the late forties of the nineteenth century, initiated their special branch of the art. Doyle's drawings were reproduced by lithography, and the American publishers employed the same method of printing. Messrs. Currier & Ives of New York began to issue their famous lithographic sheets in 1848, the year of Taylor's election. These sheets are now very rare.

The caricatures reproduced in this volume date from 1856, and include the most important of those which were issued between that year and 1872. All have been photographed direct from the originals in the possession of a collector.

The earliest deal with the Fillmore campaign, and were drawn by Louis Maurer. These are followed by the caricatures of the Buchanan and Douglas campaign, the Jackson election, and those inspired by the Abolition Movement in which Lincoln played so important a part. The War of the Secession received its share of satiric treatment, and a number of the sheets it called forth are given here, several depicting personal encounters between Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis. The political conditions which were precipitated as the aftermath of the Civil War, and especially the rancorous relations which marked the attitude of the Republican and Democratic parties towards each other, are pictured here in a number of drawings revealing a humor which is, perhaps, too raw for our more cultivated tastes.

This collection is, unquestionably, of permanent historical value and of more than passing interest. Our ancestors had a rough and ready way with them of expressing their likes and dislikes, especially in the heat of electoral campaigns; but they said what they honestly thought; and it is this sincerity of expression which so appeals to us, despite its lack of artistic finish and even crude vulgarity. As draughtsmen, the artists of these caricatures were not of the most accomplished

order, but there is no mistaking their intention, nor are we left in any doubt as to the identities of the individuals satirized, nor the meaning of the moral they desired to convey.

To avoid any misapprehension as to either one or the other, they printed the names below the portraits, and used loops, inscribed with the words of the speakers, and issuing from their mouths. Modern art has improved on this naïve and direct method; but if it has gained in power of suggestion, it does not evince a more vigorous power of trenchant criticism, nor does it display the almost terrible freedom of satiric humor which is the interesting characteristic of early American caricature art.

With the advent of the illustrated newspaper and the comic weekly, the day of the lithographed sheets was over. The former took the place of the latter, and the work achieved by Thomas Nast and Joseph Keppler remains today among the distinguished achievements in the sphere of pictorial satire. None the less, however, the cartoons of the earlier period will continue to hold their interest and value both to the historian and the student of the social development of the United States.

American Caricatures

Fillmore and Union for ever!—
We'll soon have the "right man in the right place."
We're got a Sure thing on this race
Frank, I am afraid we aint got legs enough to beat Fillmore, but its some comfort to see old Greeley team stuck in the mud
I say Pi——e that old Statesman rather leaves!—
Its because of my Kansas any more, it aint Pres'dent Ears a bit— I guess we're about even up
ABOLITION CESS POOL

THE GREAT PRESIDENTIAL SWEEPSTAKES OF 1856.

Free for all ages, go as they please

YOUNG AMERICA.— Enters "Fillmore" by Hunkerism out of Experience, trained on the Union track.
DEMOCRAT. Enters "Old Buck" (alias "Platform") by "Filibuster" out of "Federalist". Wears ... on the ... side.
GREELY, WEED, BEECHER & Co.— Enters "Catnach Pony, Freemont", by "Wooly Head" ... of "Wool's horse" ... Maryland stable

Ah you rascals, I'll have a trip at you directly, that will make you scatter, and keep you away from this crib for Four years at least.
GOVERNMENT CRIB

FANCIED SECURITY, OR THE RATS ON A BENDER.

If ye dont hand over yer small change in a jiffy ye could spit pecon I'll feel justified in taking it out of ye wid a touch of this shillaly as I pozzis the power
Come letshave that tucker or you'll find that "Considerations exist which render delay" in do'ng so "Exceedingly dangerous to your head —
Off with this Coat old fellow and be quick about it or it's not improbable that it may be wrested from you" by a successful revolution of this sixbarrel'd joker
WHY Why! this is rank robbery! Help, Help! all honest men —
I'll take your hat Old Buck! I haint got none and as I may catch a cold on my head its unmitigate acquisition" by me "is of paramount importance" —
OSTEND MANIFESTO
October 18th 1854 —
The Union can never enjoy repose, as long as Cuba is not embraced within its boundaries. — Its immediate acquisition by our Government is of paramount importance. Considerations exist which render delay in the acquisition of this Island exceedingly dangerous to the United States — It is not improbable, therefore, that Cuba may be wrested from Spain by a successful Revolution. — We shall be justified in wresting it from Spain if we possess the Power
Yours, very respectfully
JAMES BUCHANAN.
J. Y. MASON.
PIERRE SOULE.
WM. L. MARCY.
Secretary of State.
BUCHANAN

THE "OSTEND DOCTRINE."

Practical Democrats carrying out the principle.

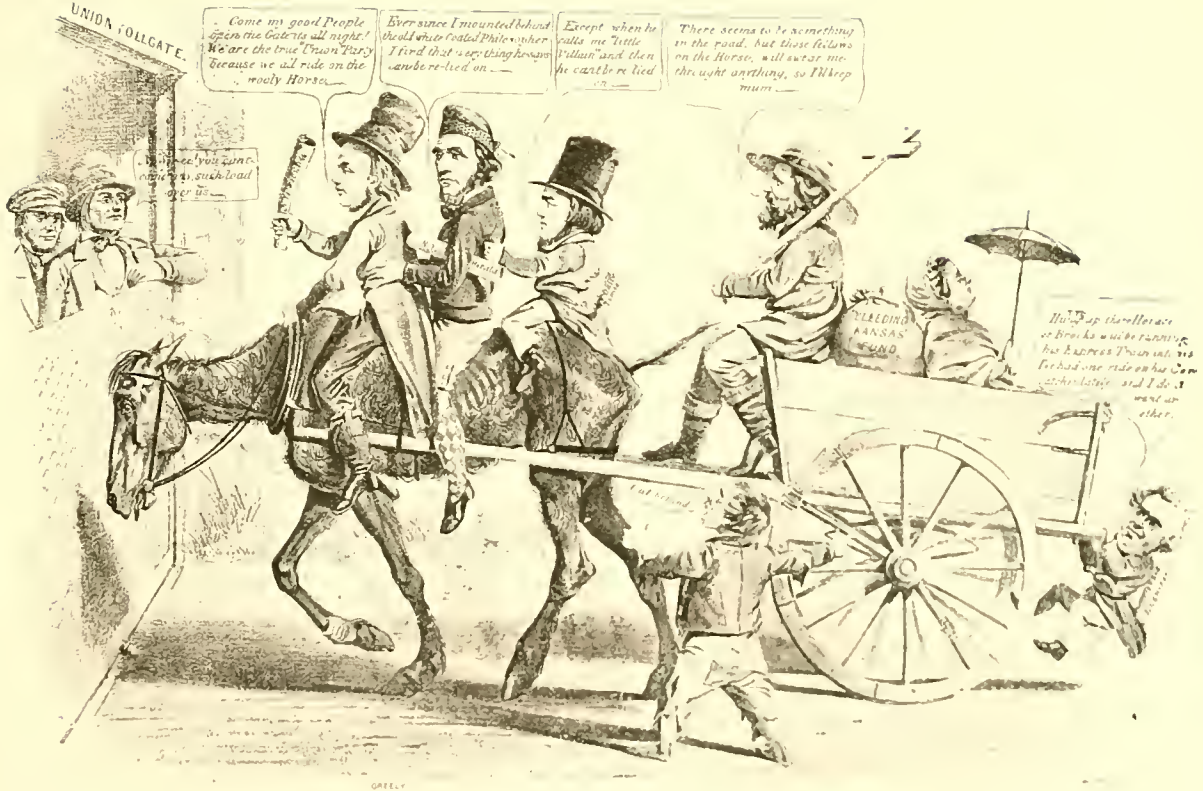
My Old coat was a very fashionable Federal coat when it was new, but by patching and turning I have made it quite a Democratic Garment — That Cabbage patch to be sure is rather unsightly but it suits Southern fashions at this season, and then — If I am elected, let me see, $25,000 pr annum, and no rent to pay, and no Women and Babies about. I guess I can afford a new outfit

A SERVICEABLE GARMENT—

OR REVERIE OF A BACHELOR.

Mister Fire Eater I would not rely too much on the supporters of that Platform, they are liable to give way at any moment
I dont care anything about the Supporters of the platform, as long as the Platform supports me and my Niggers.
I am no longer James Buchanan but the Platform of my party.
Never mind what we did in '48. Johnny a change of policy now & then benefits the political system as you will see in the case of the great Federal Democrat you are now supporting and then our party are so forgiving for the Sake of the Spoils
Certainly. Dont think the trust of the great Democratic party was for him self and Plunder for us all!
Sir this Platform is W Buchanan, I support the man "Men not principles" is my motto.
I cannot however at that time vote to down in my Estimation, yet support this platform!

THE DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM.


UNION TOLLGATE.
Come my good People open the Gate's all night! We are the true Union Party because we all ride on the woolly Horse
Ever since I mounted behind the old white coated Philosopher I find that every thing has been re-lied on
Except when he calls me "little Villain" and then he can't be re lied on
There seems to be something in the road, but those fellows on the Horse, will swear me through anything, so I'll keep mum
BLEEDING KANSAS FUND
GREELY

THE "MUSTANG" TEAM

Oh! Brother Beecher! our Kansas Gun has burst and upset our gunner.— I'm afraid we put in too big a load.—
Confound the Gun! if I can only get out of this mess I'll stick to preaching and let fire-arms alone.—
WHITE HOUSE
ABOLITION DOG
H. G.

THE GREAT AMERICAN BUCK HUNT OF 1856.

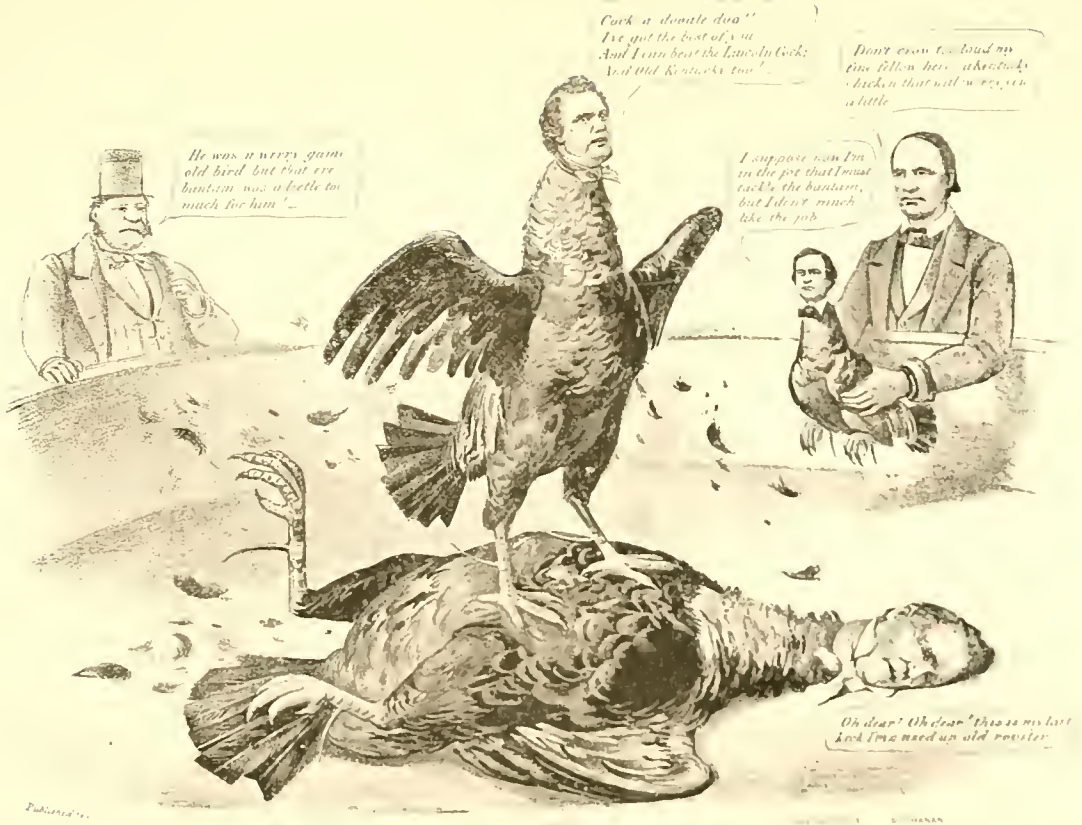
He's a border ruffian and I'll shoot the Slave-holding Villain
Stop! Stop Mr. Fremont, I can't allow any fighting, there must be peace between, son as long as I stand here
Let go! Let me at him I'll make Mince meat of the rascally abolitionist

THE RIGHT MAN FOR THE RIGHT PLACE.

The first thing we want, is a law making the use of Tobacco, Animal food and Lager-bier a Capital Crime.—
We demand — first of all, the recognition of Woman as the equal of Man with a right to Vote and hold office.—
An equal division of Property that is what I go in for.—
C.L. — — meeting of our Free Love association, where the shackles of marriage are not tolerated & perfect Freedom exists in love matters and you will be sure to Enjoy yourself some on all Freemounters.—
We — you Sir to place the power of the Papers in a firm fortune in this Country.—
— Oppogation — — comes in next — voter dat — — may as well — — pleases.—
— all have what we desire and — sure that the — — Principles of Papers, Fourierism Free Love, Womans rights, the Maine Law & above all the Equality of our Col'red Brethren shall be maintained If I get into the Presidential Chair.

THE GREAT REPUBLICAN REFORM PARTY.

Calling on their Candidate.


Cock a doodle doo"
I've got the best of you
And I can beat the Lincoln Cock;
And Old Kentucky too"!
Don't crow too loud my fine fellow here's a Kentucky chicken that will whip you a little
He was a pretty game old bird but that ere bantam was a little too much for him"!
I suppose you I'm in the pot that I must tackle the bantam, but I don't much like the job
Oh dear! Oh dear! this is my last look I'm a used up old rooster

THE GREAT MATCH AT BALTIMORE.

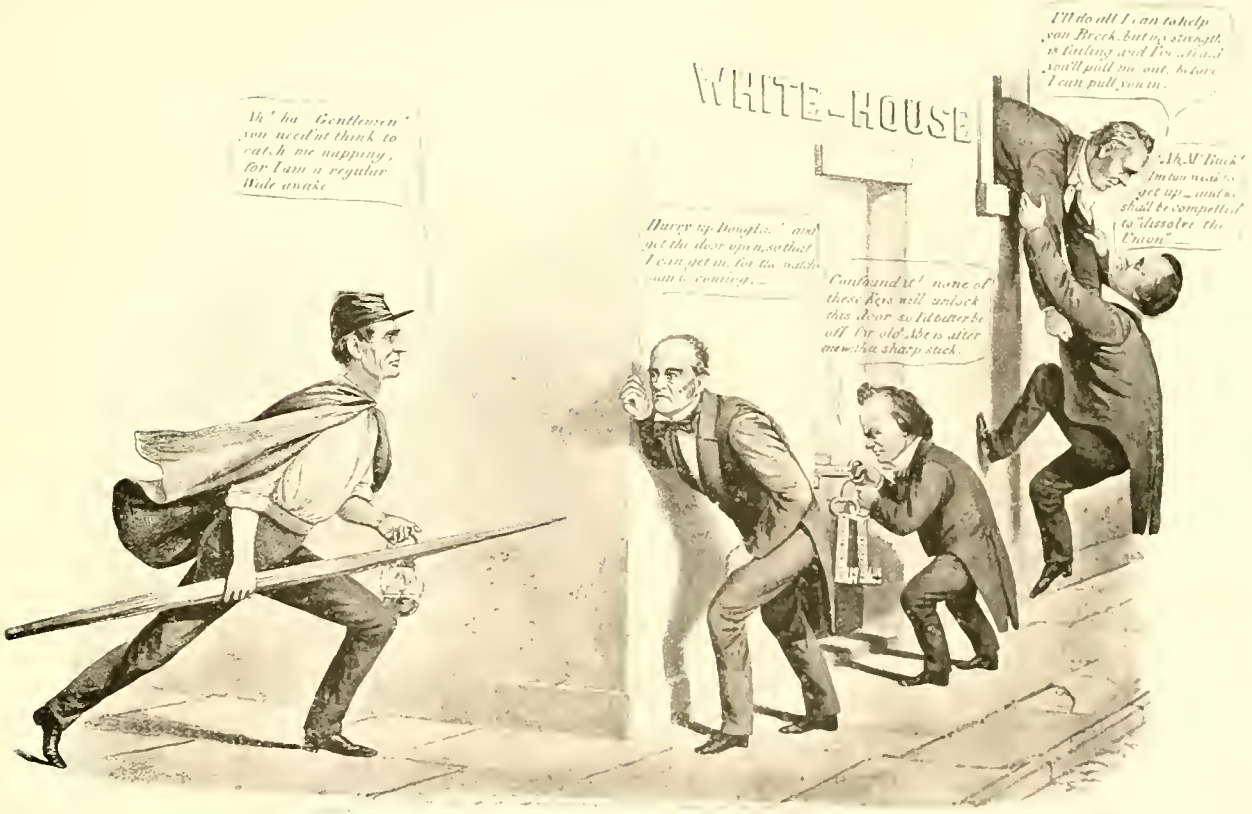
BETWEEN THE "ILLINOIS BANTAM", AND THE "OLD COCK" OF THE WHITE HOUSE.

I think I'll give him a trifle in New York currency
He looks like a smart little man, and if I were not Wise I'd go my pile on him —
Gentlemen I'm going to see my mother, and solicit a little help for in running after a nomination I follower a big Pup of Breckenridge and have been very lame ever since
Well old Buck if you say so, I suppose I must but I know it will be of no use, for I feel that I have'nt got a leg to stand on
Here Breck as Dug has taken the stump you must stump it too
Go it ye cripples, wooden legs are chean, but stumping won't save you

"TAKING THE STUMP" OR STEPHEN IN SEARCH OF HIS MOTHER.

That's right! Columbia lay it on to him, for he richly deserves it, gave him the Stripes till he sees Stars –
You have been a bad boy Steve, ever since you had anything to do with that Nebraska Bill and have made a great deal of trouble in the family and now I'll lay you for it. –
NEWS FROM MAINE.
Oh! Ma'm let me off this time and I'll never do so any more
Uncle Sam

STEPHEN FINDING "HIS MOTHER".


Ah! ha Gentlemen you needn't think to catch me napping, for I am a regular Wide awake
WHITE-HOUSE
Hurry up Douglas! and get the door open, so that I can get in, for the watch dog is coming.
Confound it! none of these keys will unlock this door so I'll better be off for old Abe is after me with a sharp stick.
I'll do all I can to help you Breck, but my strength is failing, and I'm afraid you'll pull me out, before I can pull you in.
Ah! Buck! I'm too weak to get up, and we shall be compelled to "dissolve the Union"

STORMING THE CASTLE

"OLD ABE" ON GUARD.

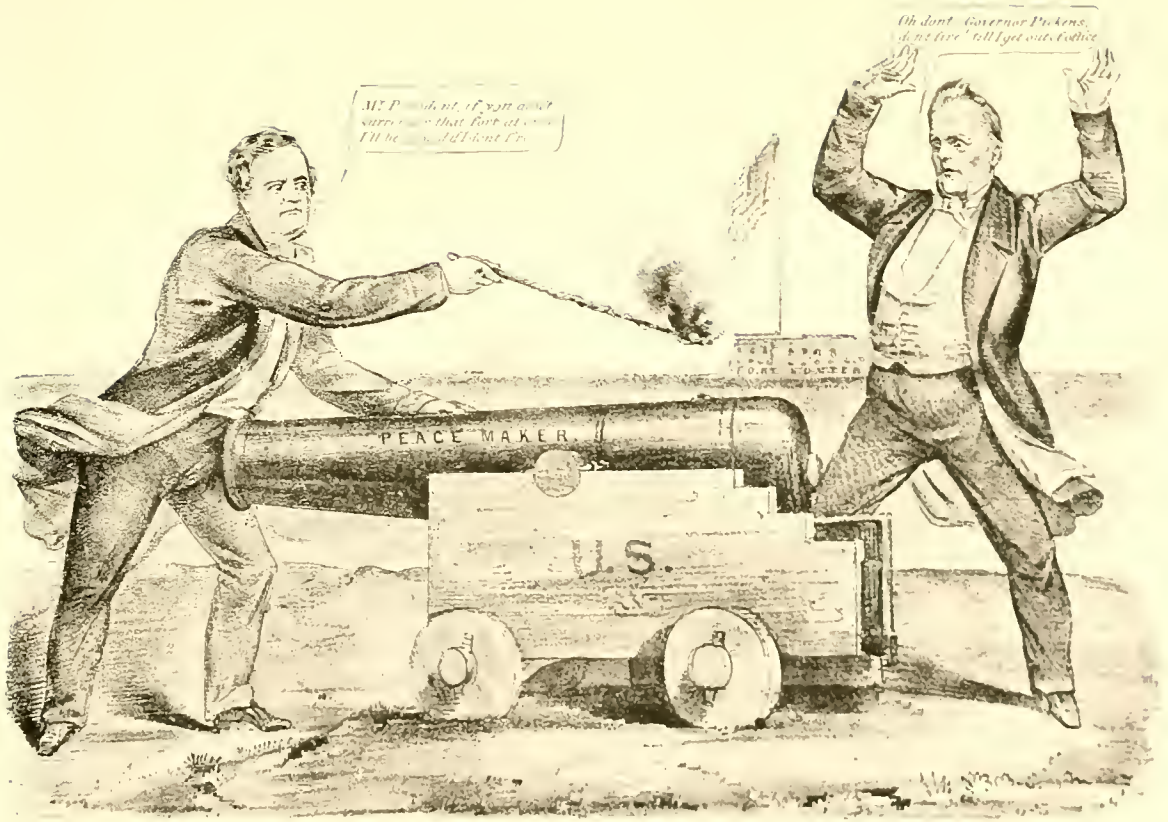
It appears to me very singular that we three should strike "foul" and be "put out" while old Abe made such a "good lick".—
That's because he had that confounded rail, to strike with, I thought our fusion would be a "short stop" to his career.
I guess I'd better leave for Kentucky, for I smell something strong around here, and begin to think, that we are completely "skunk'd."
Gentlemen, if any of you should ever take a hand in another match at this game, remember that, you must have "a good batter strike a "fair ball" to make a "clean score" & "home run"
UNION CLUB
LITTLE GIANT
NAPOLEON
RAIL SPLITTERS

THE NATIONAL GAME. THREE "OUTS" AND ONE "RUN".

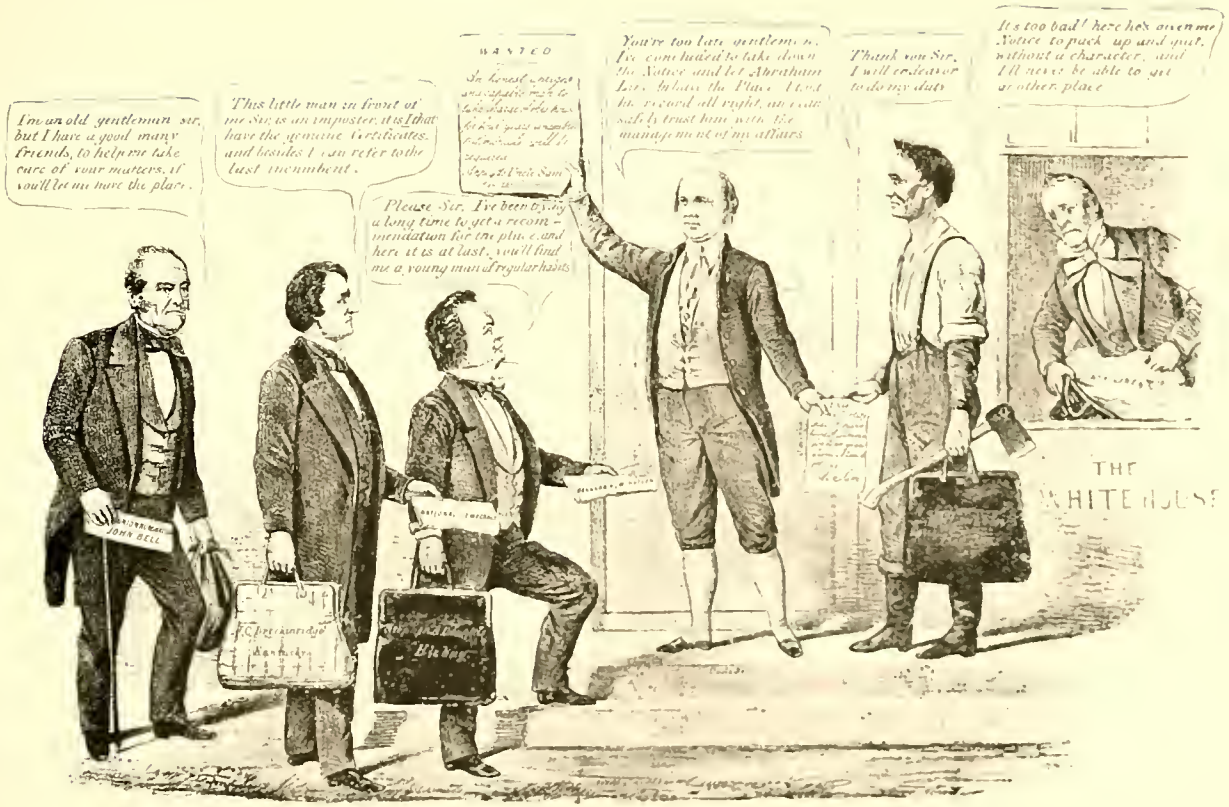
ABRAHAM WINNING THE BALL.

WE INTEND TO SMASH THE UNION UP!
PULL AWAY BOYS!! GEORGIA WILL GET THE CREAM OF THIS JOKE!!
NOT IF I CAN PREVENT IT GOVERNOR.'
THE UNION.
I HAVE A GOOD CONSTITUTION, AND CAN STAND A PRETTY STRONG PULL!
GEORGIA.
CITY OF SAVANNAH
GOVERNOR, IF YOU PULL TOO HARD ON MY TAIL I'LL KICK YOU INTO THE ATLANTIC OCEAN
GOVERNOR PICKENS, of South Carolina
PRESIDENT BUCHANAN

THE FOLLY OF SECESSION.



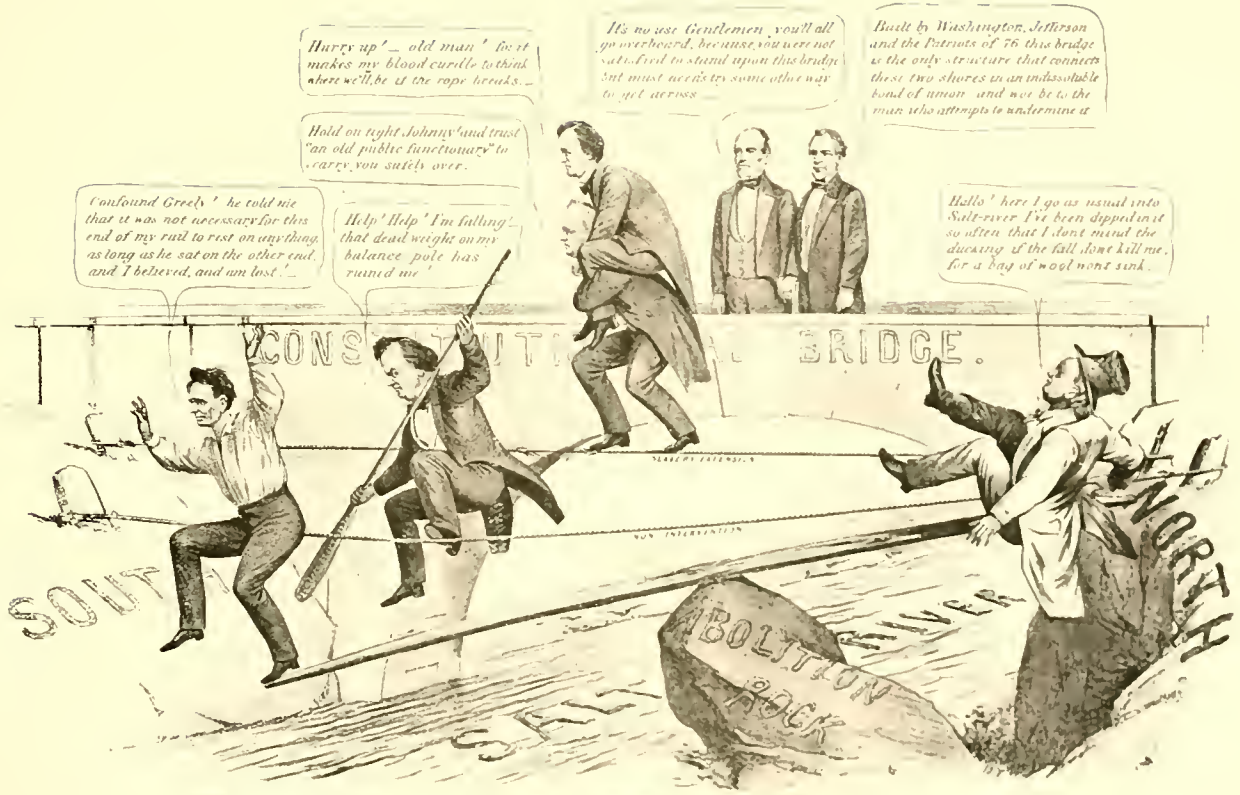
SOUTH CAROLINA'S "ULTIMATUM."


I'm an old gentleman sir, but I have a good many friends, to help me take care of your matters, if you'll let me have the place.
This little man in front of me Sir is an imposter, it is I that have the genuine Certificates, and besides I can refer to the last incumbent.
WANTED
Please Sir, I've been trying a long time to get a recommendation for the place, and here it is at last, you'll find me a young man of regular habits.
You're too late gentlemen, I've concluded to take down the Notice and let Abraham Lee, to have the Place, I find he can record all right, and can safely trust him with the management of my affairs.
Thank you Sir, I will endeavor to do my duty.
It's too bad! here he's given me Notice to pack up and quit, without a character, and I'll never be able to get another place.
THE WHITE HOUSE
JOHN BELL
Blacking

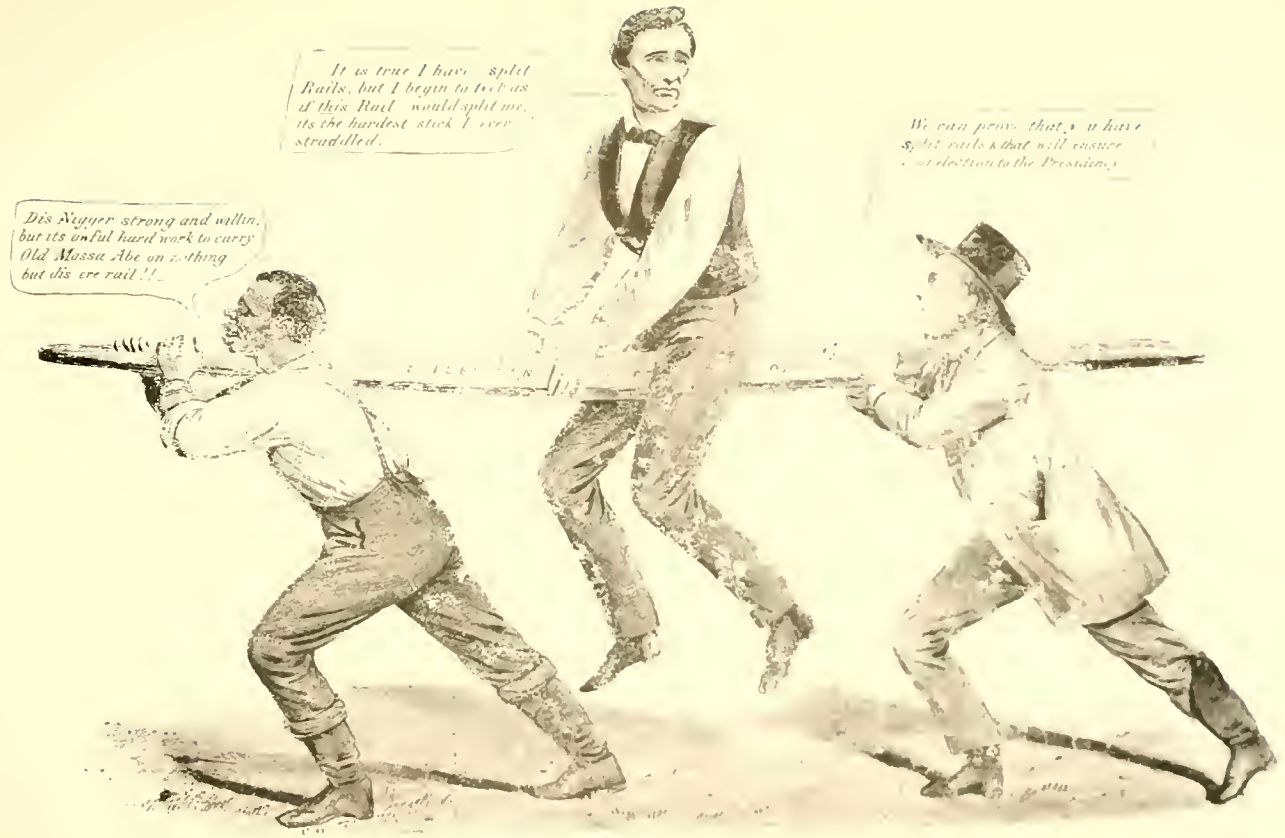
UNCLE SAM MAKING NEW ARRANGEMENTS.

Now then Jeff's Dog! put in and pull while I cry "Tammany to the rescue" for I hear a rushing sound that looks us no good
Clear the track!
NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION
DOUGLAS
AND
JOHNSON.
DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM

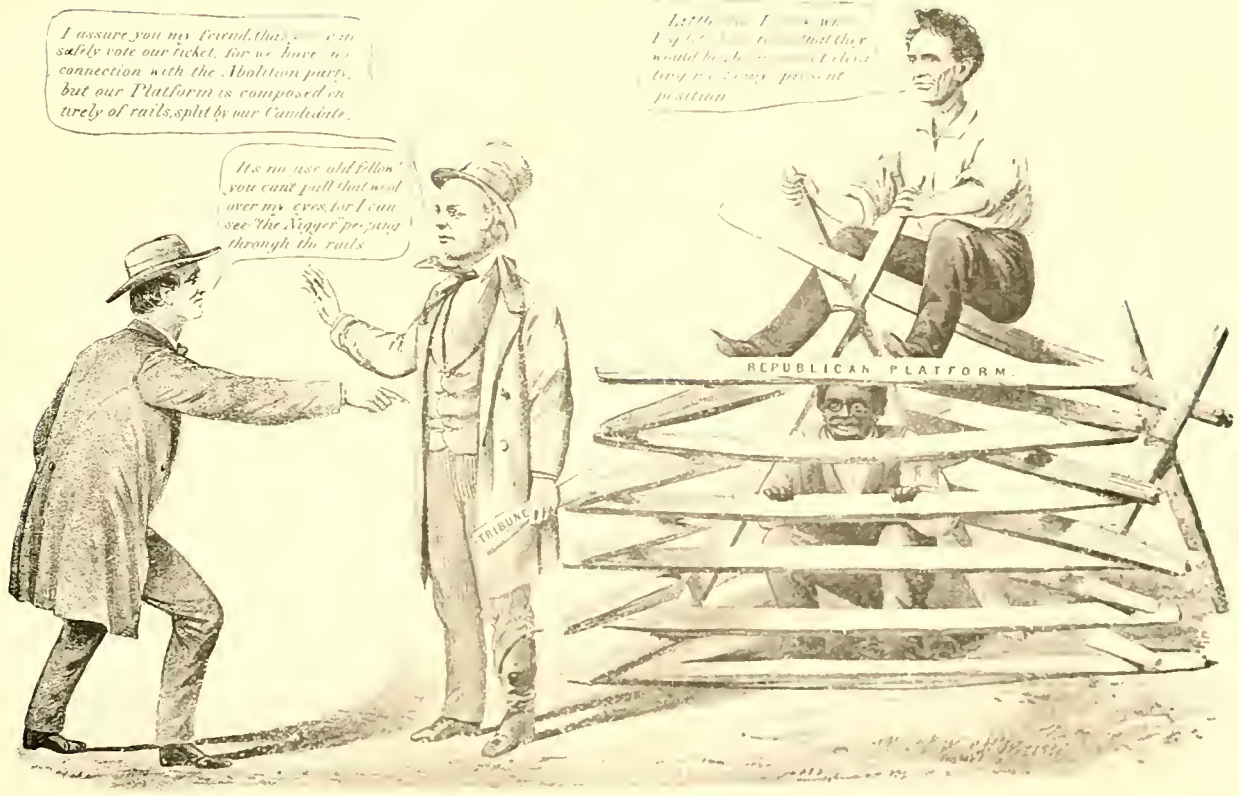
PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRACY_PROSPECT OF A SMASH UP.


Hurry up!— old man! for it makes my blood curdle to think where we'll be if the rope breaks.—
It's no use Gentlemen, you'll all go overboard, because you were not satisfied to stand upon this bridge but must needs try some other way to get across.—
Built by Washington, Jefferson and the Patriots of 76 this bridge is the only structure that connects these two shores in an indissoluble bond of union and woe be to the man who attempts to undermine it
Hold on tight Johnny and trust "an old public functionary" to carry you safely over.
Confound Greely! he told me that it was not necessary for this end of my rail to rest on anything, as long as he sat on the other end, and I believed, and am lost.—
Help! Help! I'm falling!— that dead weight on my balance pole has ruined me!
Hallo! here I go as usual into Salt-river. I've been dipped in it so often that I dont mind the ducking if the fall dont kill me, for a bag of wool wont sink.
BRIDGE.
SOUTH
NORTH
SALT RIVER
ABOLITION ROCK

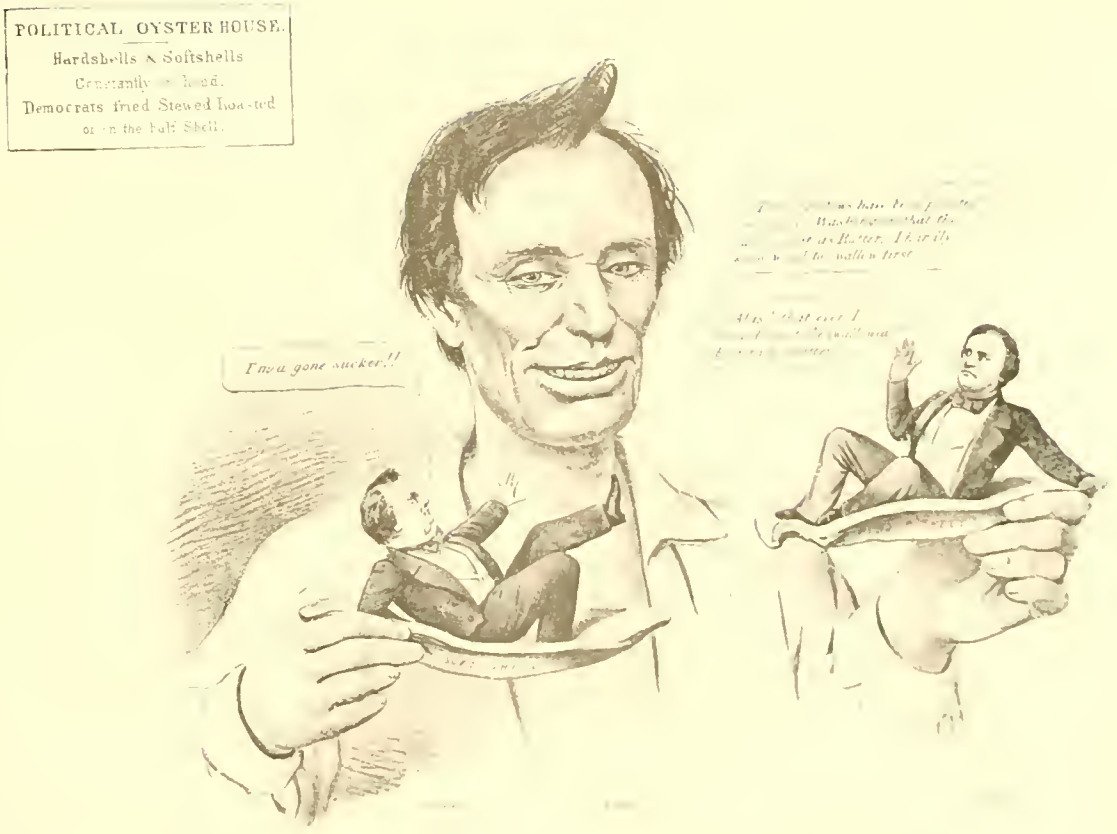
POLITICAL "BLONDINS" CROSSING SALT RIVER.


It is true I have splet Rails, but I begin to feel as if this Rail would split me, its the hardest stick I ever straddled.
We can prove that you have Splet rails that will ensure your election to the Presidency
Dis Nigger strong and willin, but its awful hard work to carry Old Massa Abe on nothing but dis ere rail!!!

THE RAIL CANDIDATE.


I assure you my friend, that you can safely vote our ticket, for we have no connection with the Abolition party, but our Platform is composed entirely of rails, split by our Candidate.
Its no use old Fellow you cant pull that wool over my eyes, for I can see "the Nigger" peeping through the rails
REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.
TRIBUNE

"THE NIGGER" IN THE WOODPILE.



HONEST ABE TAKING THEM ON THE HALF SHELL..

Now caper about on your end Abraham, while I play the "Sherr gammon polka" — "All the way From Oregon" Mrs Gurney's "Love song" and other choice airs from my private collection
Please Gentlemen help a Family in reduced circumstances we are very hard up and will even take three cents if we can't get more just to get the little Niggers drive
NEW YORK TRIBUNE

THE GREAT EXHIBITION OF 1860.

"THE IRREPRESSIBLE CONFLICT".

OR THE REPUBLICAN BARGE IN DANGER

Take him in Officer he did push him off, I saw him do it
COURIER & ENQUIRER
"PRINCIPLES NOT MEN"
Oh I'm going down for the last time

WEBB

"THE IMPENDING CRISIS" OR CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

LETTING THE CAT OUT OF THE BAG!!

Gentlemen allow me to introduce to you, this illustrious individual in whom you will find combined, all the graces, and virtues of Black Republicanism, and whom we propose to run as our next Candidate for the Presidency.
How fortunate! that this intellectual and noble creature should have been discovered just at this time, to prove to the world the superiority of the Colored over the Anglo Saxon race he will be a worthy successor to carry out the policy which I shall inaugurate.
What, can dey be?
GREELY

AN HEIR TO THE THRONE,

OR THE NEXT REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE

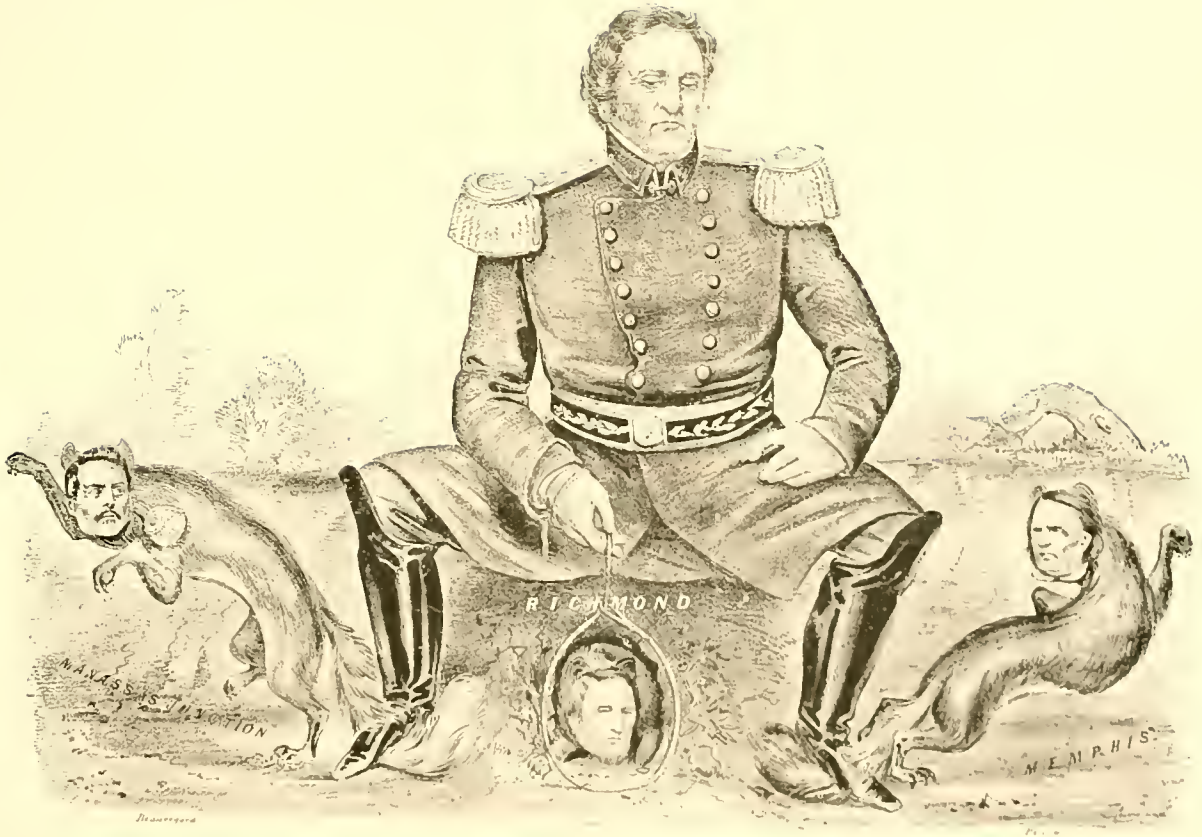
LUNATIC ASYLUM.
Now my friends I'm aware that the millennium is going to begin, so ask what you will and it shall be granted
I represent the free love element, and expect to have free license to carry out its principles
I want woman's rights enforced, and man reduced in subjection to her authority.
I want a hotel established by government, where people that are inclined to work can board free of expense and be found in rum and tobacco
I want all the distilleries houses burned up, and the M. P.'s killed, so that the boilers can run with the machine and have a mass when they please
Oh! what a beautiful man he is. I feel a "passional attraction" every time I see his lovely face
I want religion abolished, and the book of Mormon made the standard of morality
The white man has no rights dat colored persons am bound to speet. I want dat understood
I want everybody to have a share of everybody elses property.
I want guaranteed to every citizen the right to examine every other citizens pockets without exemption by Policemen
Hold on! I'm not the devil and never was, I'm here by the unanimous consent of the people

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY GOING TO THE RIGHT HOUSE.

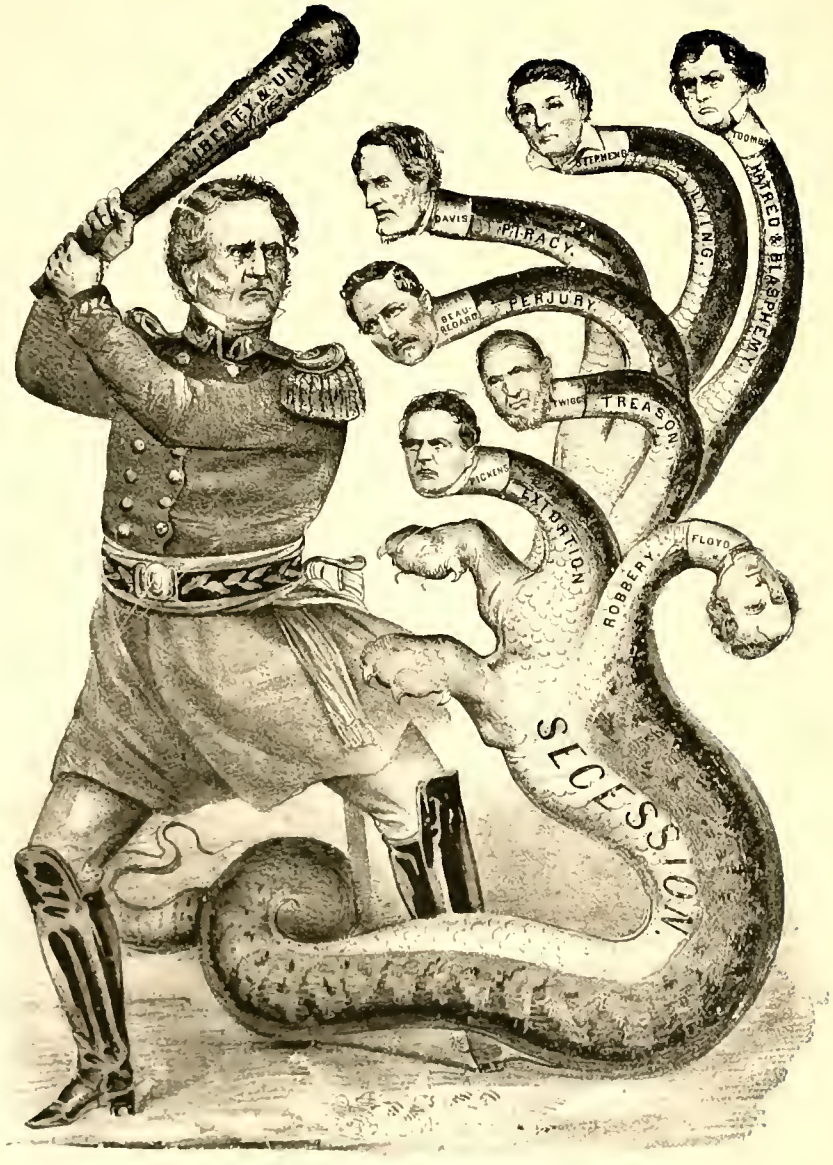
THE POLITICAL GYMNASIUM.

Go it boys! We'll soon taste the sweets of secession
Down with the Union Mississippi repudiates her bonds
LOUISIANA
MISSISSIPPI
ALABAMA
FLORIDA
We go it blind for "Buffalo or King"
SOUTH CAROLINA
We go the whole hog. What the devil is dead and now we'll have it
SECESSION HUMBUG
GEORGIA
We have some doubts about the end of that road and think it expedient to deviate a little.

THE "SECESSION MOVEMENT".

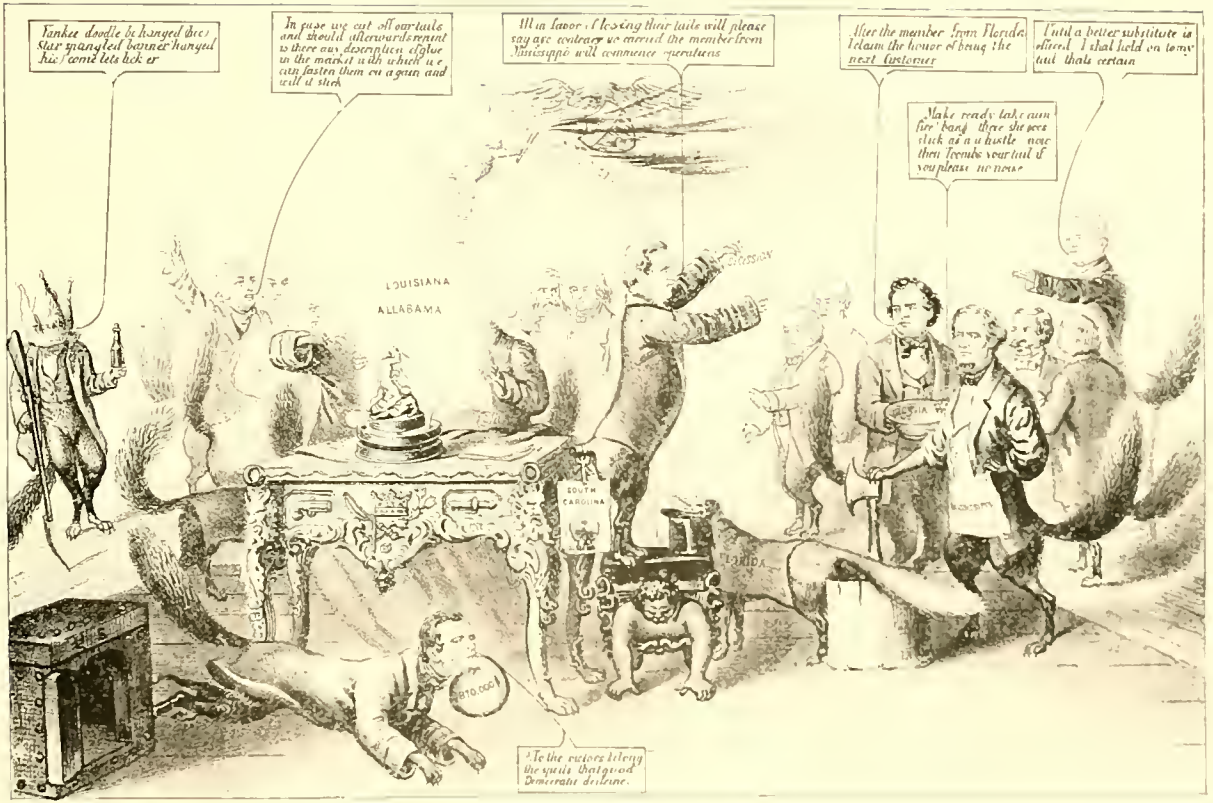


THE OLD GENERAL READY FOR A "MOVEMENT".



THE HERCULES OF THE UNION,

SLAYING THE GREAT DRAGON OF SECESSION.


Yankee doodle he hanged three
Stair spangled banner hanged
higher comd lets lick er
In case we cut off our tails
and should afterwards repent
is there any description of glue
in the market with which we
can fasten them on again and
will it stick
Ill in favor of losing their tails will please
say aye contrary no carried the members from
Mississippi will commence operations
After the member from Florida
I claim the honor of being the
next customer
Until a better substitute is
offered I shall hold on to my
tail thats certain
Make ready take aim
fire bang there she goes
stick as a whistle now
then Toombs your tail if
you please no more
LOUISIANA
ALLABAMA
SOUTH
CAROLINA
FLORIDA
To the victors belong
the spoils that good
Democratic doctrine.
FLOYD

THE FOX WITHOUT A TAIL.

A cunning fox having lost his tail in a trap, to save himself from ridicule called a convention of the other foxes and stated to them that having found his tail a great incumbrance he had cut it off, and advised them all to do the same. the result is seen above

South Carolina claims to be the leader and general whipper in of the new Confederacy, a special edict!- Obey and tremble!
We want it distinctly understood that all the lights on the Coast shall be put out, in order to facilitate the wrecking business.
Georgia must have half the honors, and all the profits, or back she goes to old "E Pluribus Unum"
We come in, with the understanding that we shall issue bonds to an unlimited extent, with our utmost right of repudiation when they become due.
Alabama proclaims that "Cotton is King", and the rest of the Confederacy must obey that Sovereign.
A heavy duty must be levied on foreign sweetening in order to make up for what we have sacrificed in severing the Union, otherwise we shall be like a "Pelican in the wilderness".
GEORGIA
MISSISSIPPI
ALABAMA.
LOUISIANA
SOUTH CAROLINA
FLORIDA
TEXAS.

THE DIS-UNITED STATES.

OR THE SOUTHERN CONFEDERACY

Come along you russel
and fight for our King
Cotton —
Let me go I tell you
I'm a Union man you
dont belong to your
Southern Confederacy

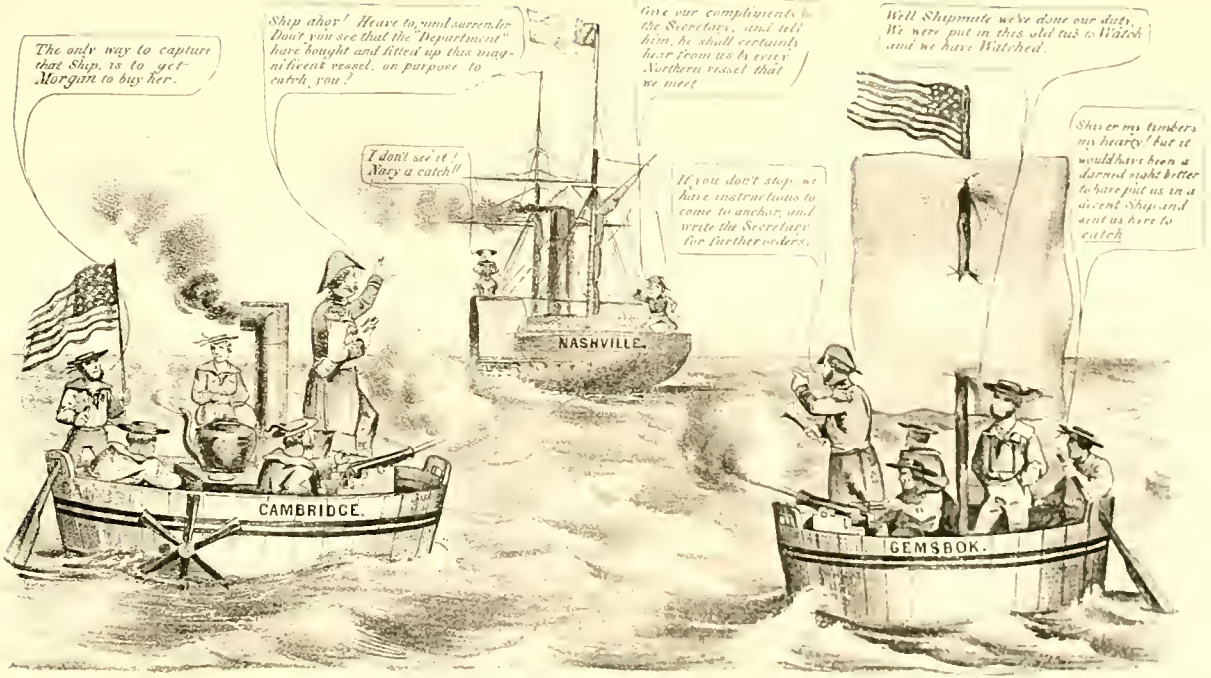
SOUTHERN "VOLUNTEERS".

WHY DON'T YOU TAKE IT!

Go it Lincoln, I knew he'd be obliged to Cotton"
Now, you scoundrel I've got my muscle up, and I'll put in the blows till I finish you!
Oh! Mr Lincoln I abandon the "defensive policy"— I see that I have undertaken more than I can accomplish.
I will say nothing just yet.
Ho my! I begin to feel queer. I'm afraid when he has finished Jeff he'll pitch into me.

CAVING IN, OR A REBEL "DEEPLY HUMILIATED".

JOHN BULL MAKES A DISCOVERY.


The only way to capture that Ship, is to get Morgan to buy her.
Ship ahoy! Heave to, and surrender. Don't you see that the "Department" have bought and fitted up this magnificent vessel, on purpose to catch you?
I don't see it! Navy a catch!!
Give our compliments to the Secretary, and tell him, he shall certainly hear from us by every Northern vessel that we meet
If you don't stop we have instructions to come to anchor, and write the Secretary for further orders.
Well Shipmate we've done our duty, We were put in this old tub to Watch and we have Watched.
Shiver my timbers my hearty! but it would have been a darned sight better to have put us in a decent Ship and sent us here to catch
NASHVILLE.
CAMBRIDGE.
GEMSBOK.

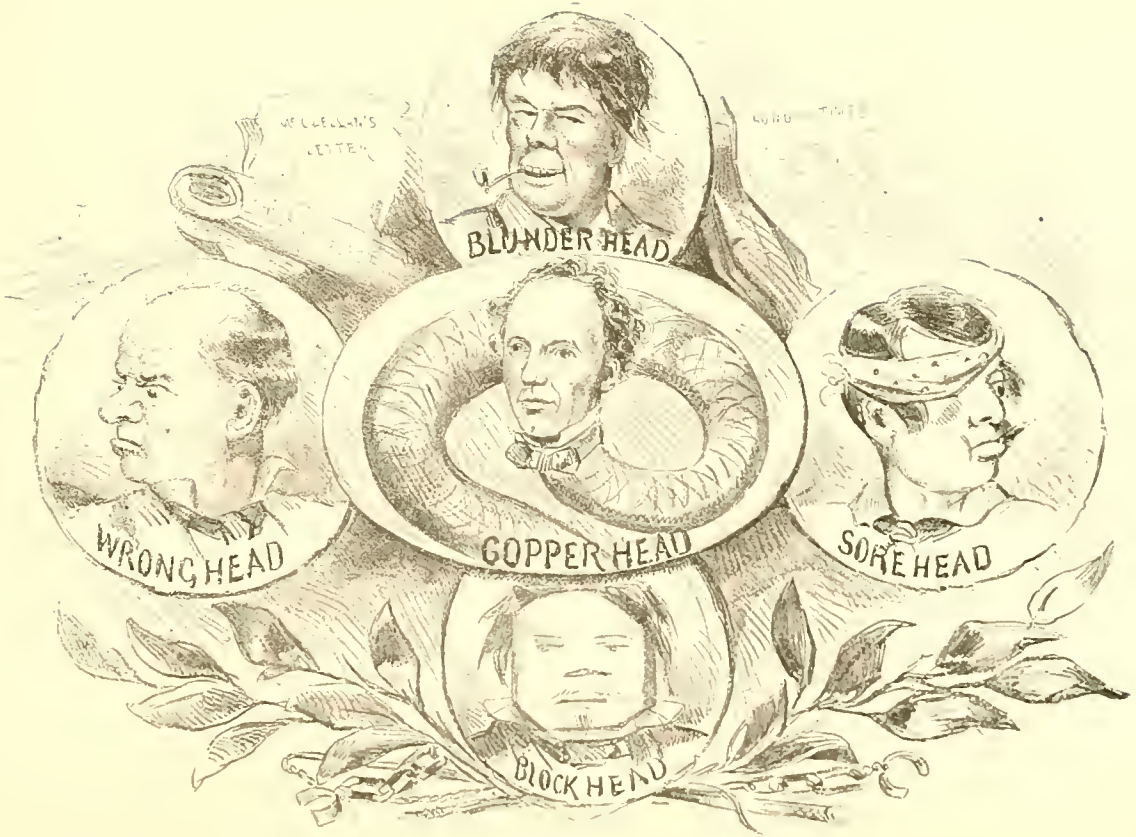
THE BLOCKADE ON THE "CONNECTICUT PLAN".

Respectfully dedicated to the [illegible] of the Navy

THE BATTLE OF BOONEVILLE, OR THE GREAT MISSOURI "LYON" HUNT.

NOTICE.
J.O.SMITH of this place having been suspected favoring the unholy and wicked designs of the north has property will be confis cated and sold the proceeds to be appropriated to the uses of the Confederated States of America.
by orde
J.DAVIS. Pres
R.Toombs.Sec
GLORIOUS VICTORY for the SOUTH.
BATTLE BOONEVILLE
GEN. LYON SHOT.
500 OF ENEMY
2000 PRI
ASSASSINATION of ABE LINCOLN
WASHINGTON
TAKEN
JEFFERSON DAVIS

THE VOLUNTARY MANNER IN WHICH SOME OF THE SOUTHERN VOLUNTEERS ENLIST.



HEADS OF THE DEMOCRACY.

McCLELLAN

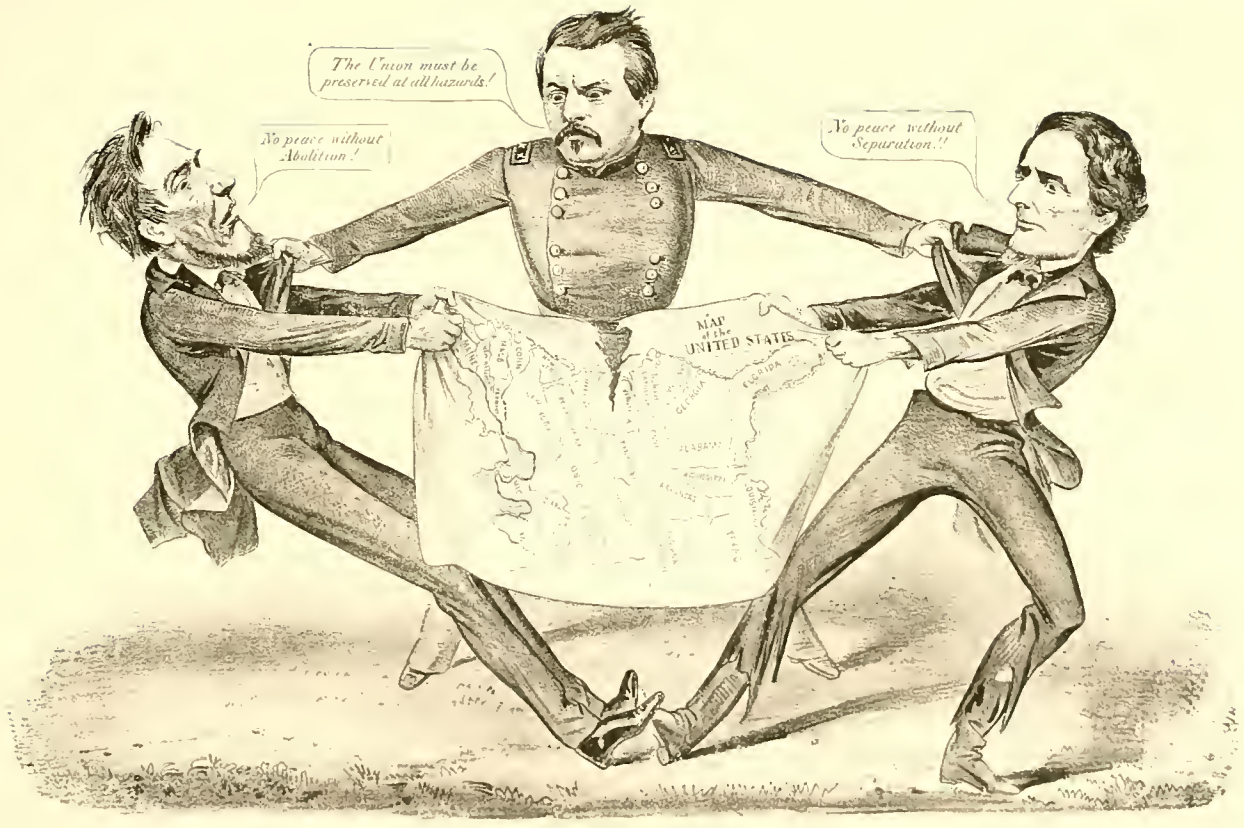
HEAD QUARTERS AT HARRISON'S LANDING.

"See evidence before Committee on conduct of the War"

THE RAIL SPLITTER" AT WORK REPAIRING THE UNION.

Vow, keep your Mouth shut Brother Davis, another of your whining Speeches might even bring those fellows to their Senses / and lose us the Game!
All right Brother Pen, my old hoss will not carry me much out of your way, I'll be soon enough with you.
I bring you willingly everything only give us Peace!
Ah! Cowards!
WAR
HORSE
Little Mac.
Pendleton
Jeff: and his Counsellor

DESPERATE PEACE MAN.


The Union must be preserved at all hazards!
No peace without Abolition!
No peace without Separation.!!
MAP of the UNITED STATES

THE TRUE ISSUE OR "THATS WHATS THE MATTER".

Fight on my brave Soldiers and push the enemy to the wall. from this spanker boom your beloved General looks down upon you.
GALENA.
McCLELLEN

THE GUNBOAT CANDIDATE

AT THE BATTLE OF MALVERN HILL.

A LITTLE GAME OF BAGATELLE, BETWEEN OLD ABE THE RAIL SPLITTER & LITTLE MAC THE GUNBOAT GENERAL.

Mr Secretary! here is a despatch We have captured one prisoner and one gun, a great Victory.
There are the greediest fellows I ever saw With all my exertions I cant satisfy their pocket, though I keep the Mill going day and night.
CHASES PATENT GREENBACK MILL
Officer! I just told that Snooks has called me A Humbug! — Take this warrant and put him in Fort Lafayette — I'll teach him to speak against the Government
They say the Tallahasse sailed 11 miles an hour — Well then will send Hunt after her that can sail 12 miles an hour, and that will just make enough to catch her
Give us more Greenbacks.

RUNNING THE "MACHINE".

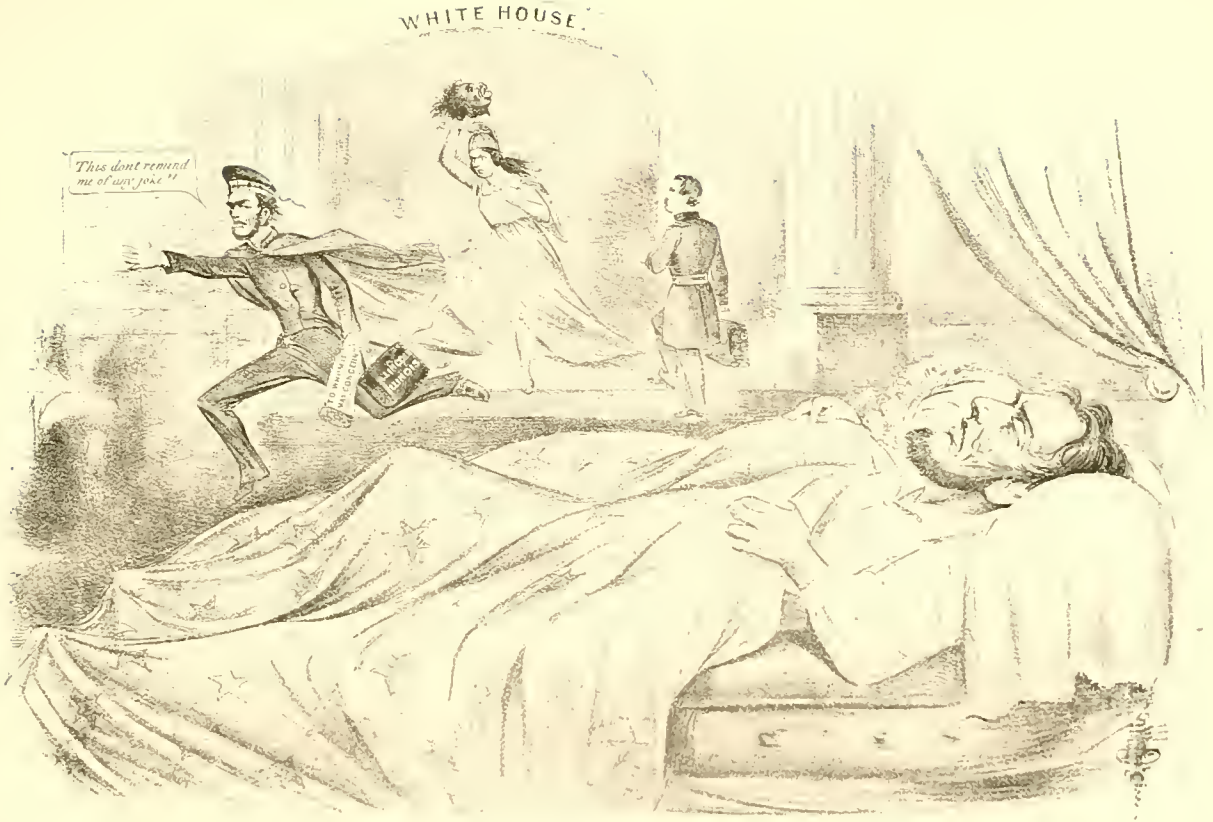
I would vote for you General, if you were not tied to a PEACE COPPERHEAD, who says that Treason and Rebellion ought to triumph!!
Good by Tuttle Mac it thats your Company, I owe all he gets my vote.
It was not I that did it fellow Soldiers' but with this unfortunate attachment I was politically born at Chicago
THE PARTY TIE
I dont care how many letters Mac writes, if it brings him votes, for every vote for him, 4 suits one for me."
Yes Pen, that's the only reason that I support the ticket. If you are elected both Jeff and I will be triumphant!
With Pendleton as Sec'y. Wat. secretary of State. Wood in the treasury, and Fitzgerald of New-York, we will have peace at any price, our friends, choose to ask for it.

THE POLITICAL "SIAMESE" TWINS

THE OFFSPRING OF CHICAGO MISCEGENATION.

If you dont like the Platform, I refer you to my letter of acceptance
Now see, my Friend I accept the nomination and of course stand on the platform
LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE
Its no use, General! you can't stand on that platform and come that blarney over me; I smell brimstone!
Well Jeff its no use trying to hold up this ricketty old platform I guess I'll leave you to your fate!
I'm in a pretty fix! Weldon road gone!! Atlanta taken!!! Mobile Forts surrendered!!! Early locked!!!! and now when my last hope is in keeping up this platform and getting Mac elected you whold me into the scrape threaten to leave me!!!!!
Hold on Val don't you see its only his little game to ring in the war men? if he is elected he is bound to carry out our policy and nothing else!
All right General! if you're in favor of resisten the draft, killing the Niggers and pace with the Southerners. I'll knock any man on the head that'll vote agin me
Come and that bitter pill is a good mouthfull, and let the whole country go to ruin!

THE CHICAGO PLATFORM AND CANDIDATE.



ABRAHAM'S DREAM!

"COMING EVENTS CAST THEIR SHADOWS BEFORE"

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LET 'EM ALONE JOHNNY KEEP YOUR DOGGIES
WALK IN SOCRATES KIN DO IT
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YES, SIR, WE'VE GOT THEM
WHO'S TO BLAME??
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SUMTER
THE POLITICAL ARENA.
THAT'S THE WAY HE LIKES

A THRILLING INCIDENT DURING VOTING,--18TH WARD, PHILADELPHIA, OCT. 11.

An old man over seventy years of age advanced to the window, leaning tremblingly on his staff, when an obscenous copperhead vote distributor approached him and thrusting a ticket in his face said, "Here is an old Jackson Democrat who always votes a straight ticket."

The old man opened the ballot and held it with trembling fingers until he had read one or two of the names, when he flung it from him with loathing, and in a voice husky with emotion, exclaimed: "I despise you more than I hate the rebel who sent his bullet through my dead son's heart! You miserable creature! Do you expect me to dishonor my poor boy's memory, and vote for men who charges American soldier., fighting for their country, with being hirelings and murderers?"

"Uncle Abraham don't you think you had better call the old dog off now I'm afraid he'll hurt those other dogs, if he catches hold of them
RICHMOND
GEN. GENERAL
RAIL ROAD
McCLELLEN
LINCOLN
LEE
GRANT

THE OLD BULL DOG ON THE RIGHT TRACK.

You commenced the war by taking up arms against the Government and you can have peace only on the condition of your laying them down again.
I demand your unconditional surrender, and intend to fight on this line until that is accomplished
Cant think of surrendering Gentlemen but allow me through the Chicago platform to propose an armistice and a suspension of hostilities
Thats it Lee if we can get out of this tight place by an armistice it will enable us to recruit up and get supplies to carry on the war four years longer.
Armistice ! and suspension of hostilities". Tell that to the Marines, but sailors dont understand that hauling from a sinking enemy.
We dont want your negroes or anything you have, but we do want and will have a just obedience to the laws of the United States
Sheridan
Grant
Lee
Davis
Farragut
Sherman

THE TRUE PEACE COMMISSIONERS.

Who will care for "Mother now?
Please let me visit mother go to the spring for some water to wash in?
I am done gone! I must "kick the bucket":
It strikes me your "Mother wears very big boots.!!
Aint you ashamed to treat the President so!
President.!! Who is he President of.

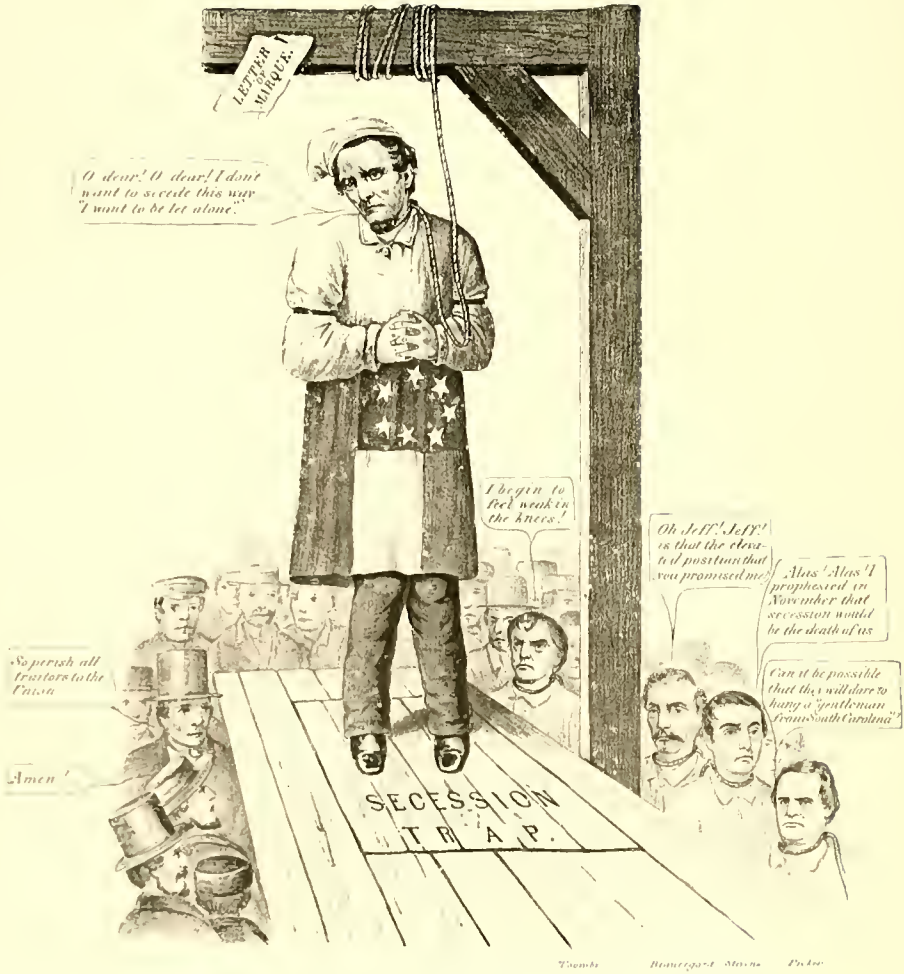
JEFF'S LAST SHIFT.

Its no use trying that shift Jeff, we see your boots!
Give in Old Chap, we have got a $ 100,000 on you!
Surrender Old Fellow or we will let daylight into you, you have reached your last ditch!
Look out you vile Yankees, if you make him mad he will hurt some of you!
Let me alone, you blood thirsty villains. — I thought your government more magnanimous than to hunt down women and children!

THE LAST DITCH OF THE CHIVALRY, OR A PRESIDENT IN PETTICOATS.

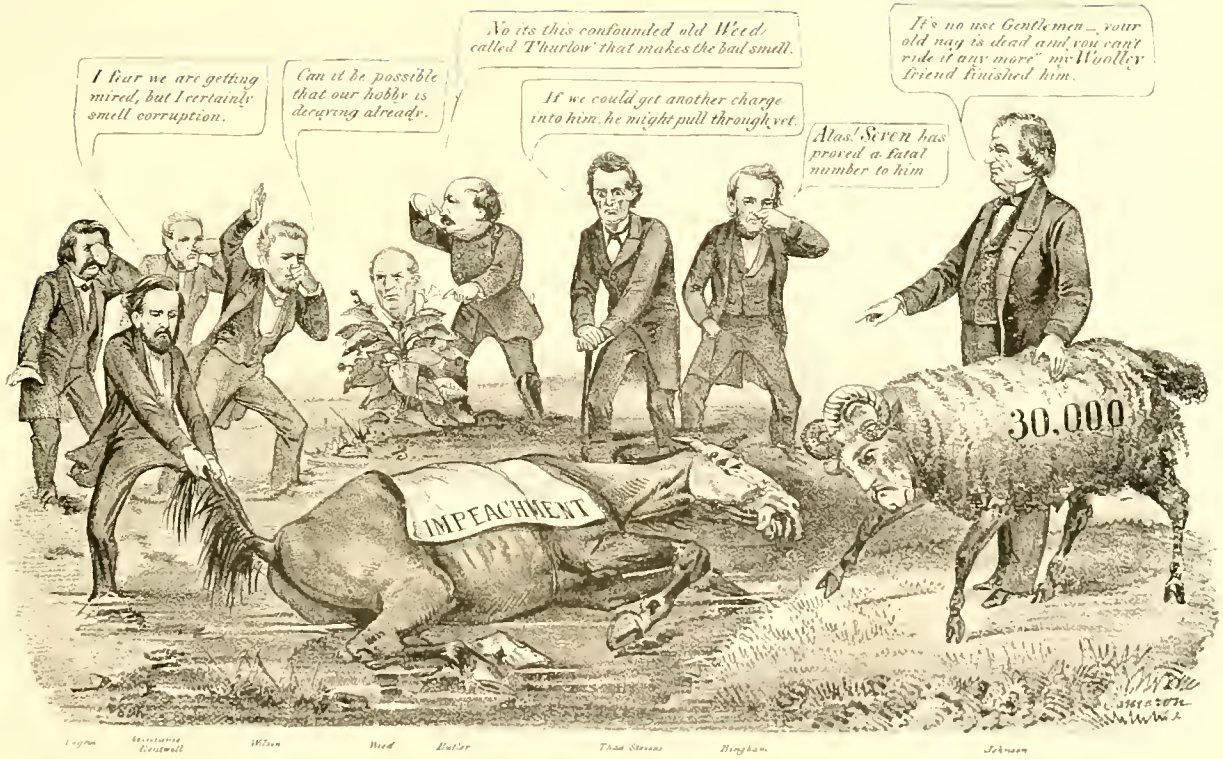
I beseech you to let his Excellency alone!
he's one of 'em! he is!!
You run well old Gal but your wind gin out, didn't it!
I plainly perceive that this is another blessing in disguise!! and the greatest of them all!!!
I say Bill, what do you think of them fixings, did you ever see the like of 'em before!
Yes by Golly! just like my Suits at home.

THE CAPTURE OF AN UNPROTECTED FEMALE, OR THE CLOSE OF THE REBELLION.


LETTER OF MARQUE
O dear! O dear! I dont want to secede this way I want to be let alone.
I begin to feel weak in the knees!
Oh Jeff! Jeff! is that the elevated position that you promised me?
Alas! Alas! I prophesied in November that secession would be the death of us
Can it be possible that they will dare to hang a "gentleman from South Carolina"
So perish all traitors to the Union
Amen!
SECESSION TRAP.
Toombs
Beauregard
Marion
Pickens

JEFF DAVIS, ON HIS OWN PLATFORM,

or the last "act of secession"

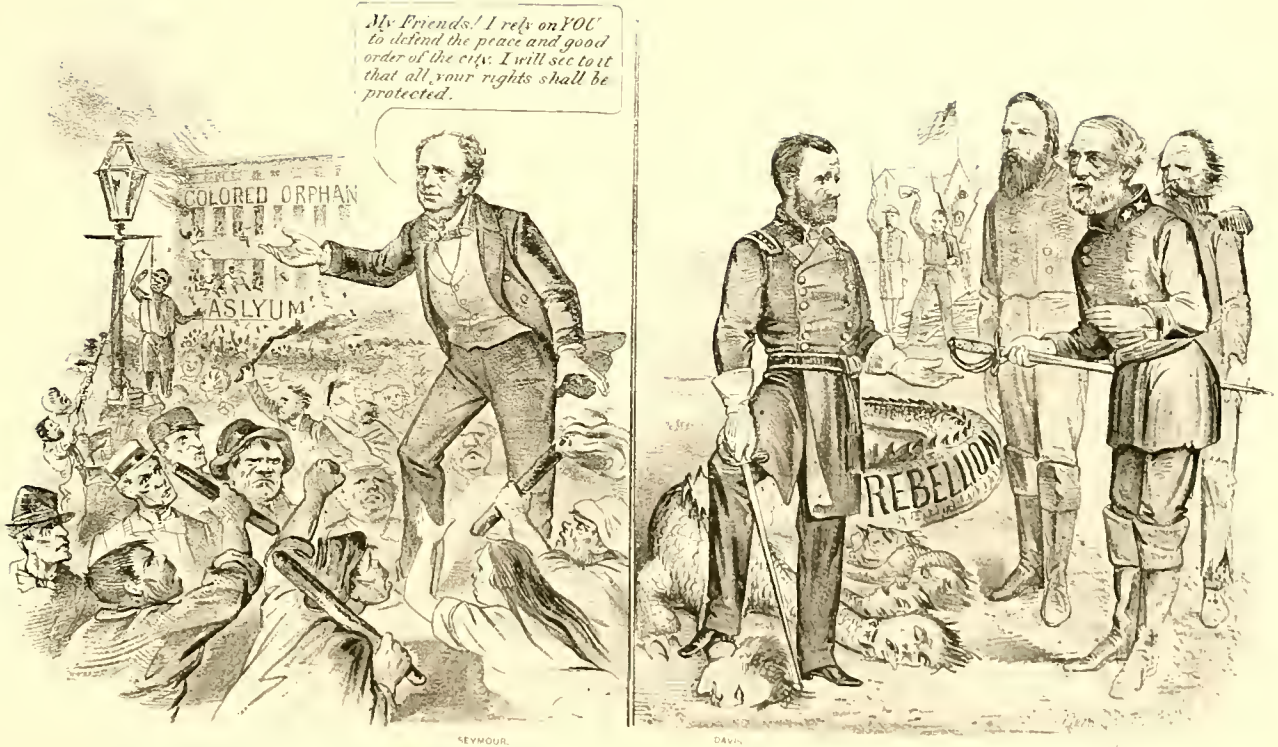

I fear we are getting mired, but I certainly smell corruption.
Can it be possible that our hobby is decaying already.
No its this confounded old Weed/ called Thurlow' that makes the bad smell.
If we could get another charge into him, he might pull through yet.
Alas! Seven has proved a fatal number to him
It's no use Gentlemen — your old nag is dead and you can't ride it any more" my Woolley friend finished him.
IMPEACHMENT
30,000
Wilson
Wade
Butler
Thad Stevens
Bingham
Johnson

THE SMELLING COMMITTEE.

DAME BUTLER - [illegible] guilty
FESSENDEN I can't!

BUTLER I once! Go! [illegible]
BEN WADE [illegible] Treason-mum!

"It is agreed that the [illegible] Senators are to be [illegible] their votes regulating [illegible] at which they are respectively [illegible]" Extract


My Friends! I rely on YOU to defend the peace and good order of the city. I will see to it that all your rights shall be protected.
COLORED ORPHAN
ASLYUM
SEYMOUR.
REBELLION
DAVIS.

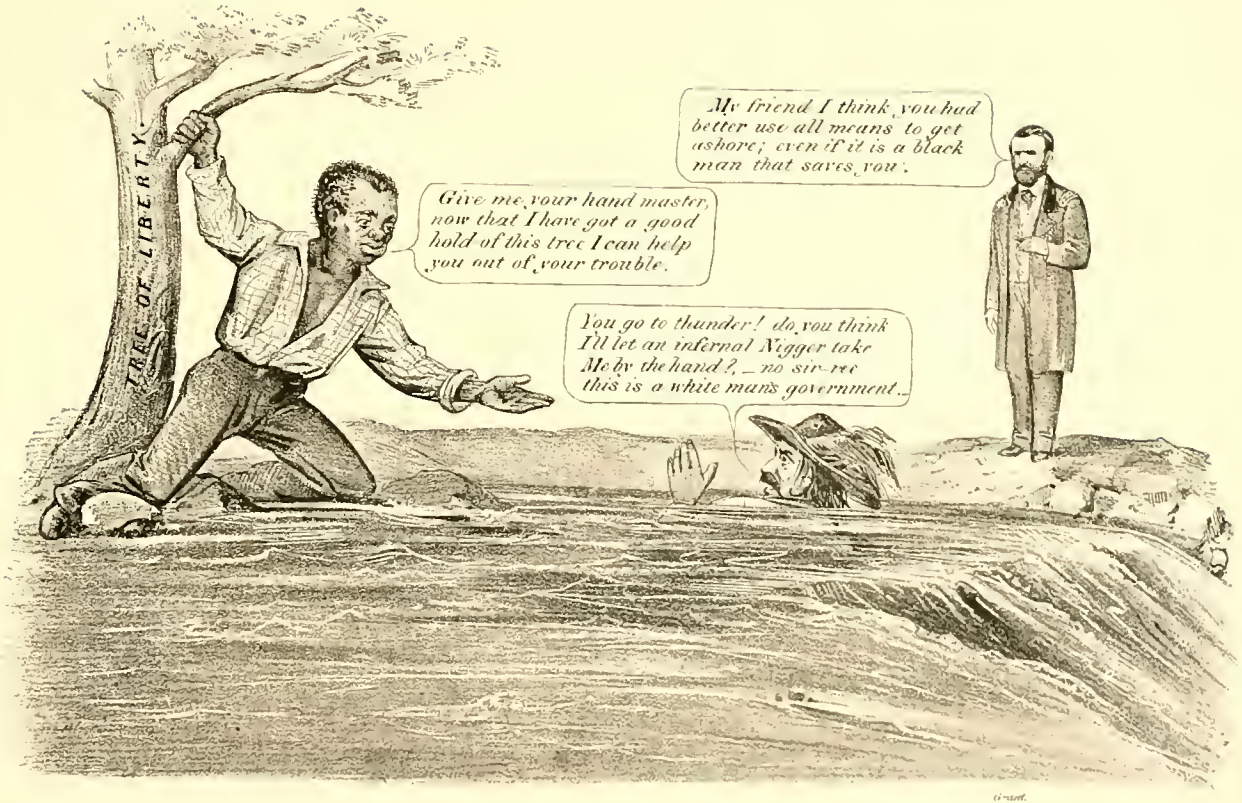
THE MAN OF WORDS, THE MAN OF DEEDS,

WHICH DO YOU THINK THE COUNTRY NEEDS?

Come, git up now the Corners expect every good Democrat to do his duty
Ohio repudiates? We shu'n't pay a single bet!
That's right, Nasby, give him another twist.
Ain't he a cunning animule—he won't reach the cabbage by running after it, so he falls back on his hind quarters and lets it swing into his mouth.
Yes, to kingdom come, with a bullock.
"The Devil take one party and his own the other that's my policy
That animule has got plenty of wives, but no haytom—we must have another CRANE for it.
What's the matter, Frank? "Gone up."
It comes so natural, "I can fight it out on the line of it takes—if summer
NASBY
BLAIR
SEYMOUR
HANCOCK
PENDLETON
JOHNSON
HAYES
GREELEY
GRANT
SHERMAN
PHILLIPS

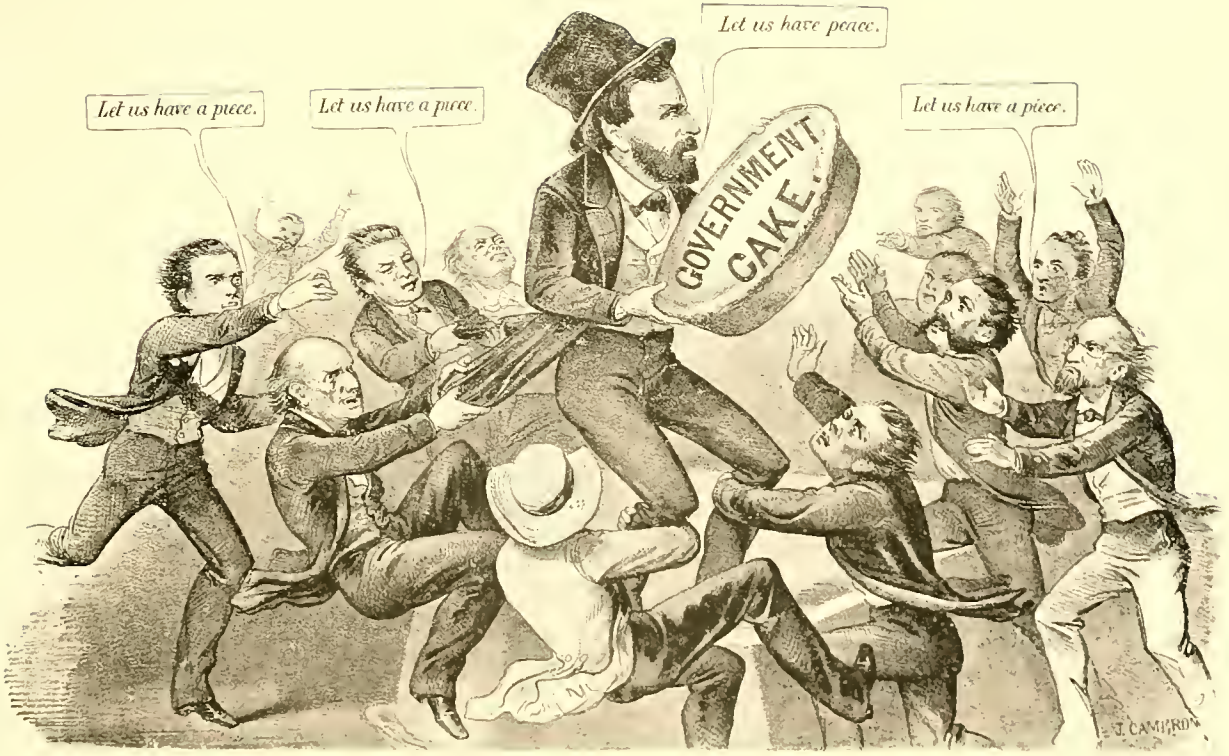
BLOOD WILL TELL!

The Great Race for the Presidential Sweepstakes, between the Western War Horse, U. S. GRANT, and the Manhattan Donkey.


TREE OF LIBERTY.
Give me your hand master, now that I have got a good hold of this tree I can help you out of your trouble.
My friend I think you had better use all means to get ashore; even if it is a black man that saves you.
You go to thunder! do you think I'll let an infernal Nigger take Me by the hand?,— no sir-ree this is a white mans government.

RE-CONSTRUCTION,

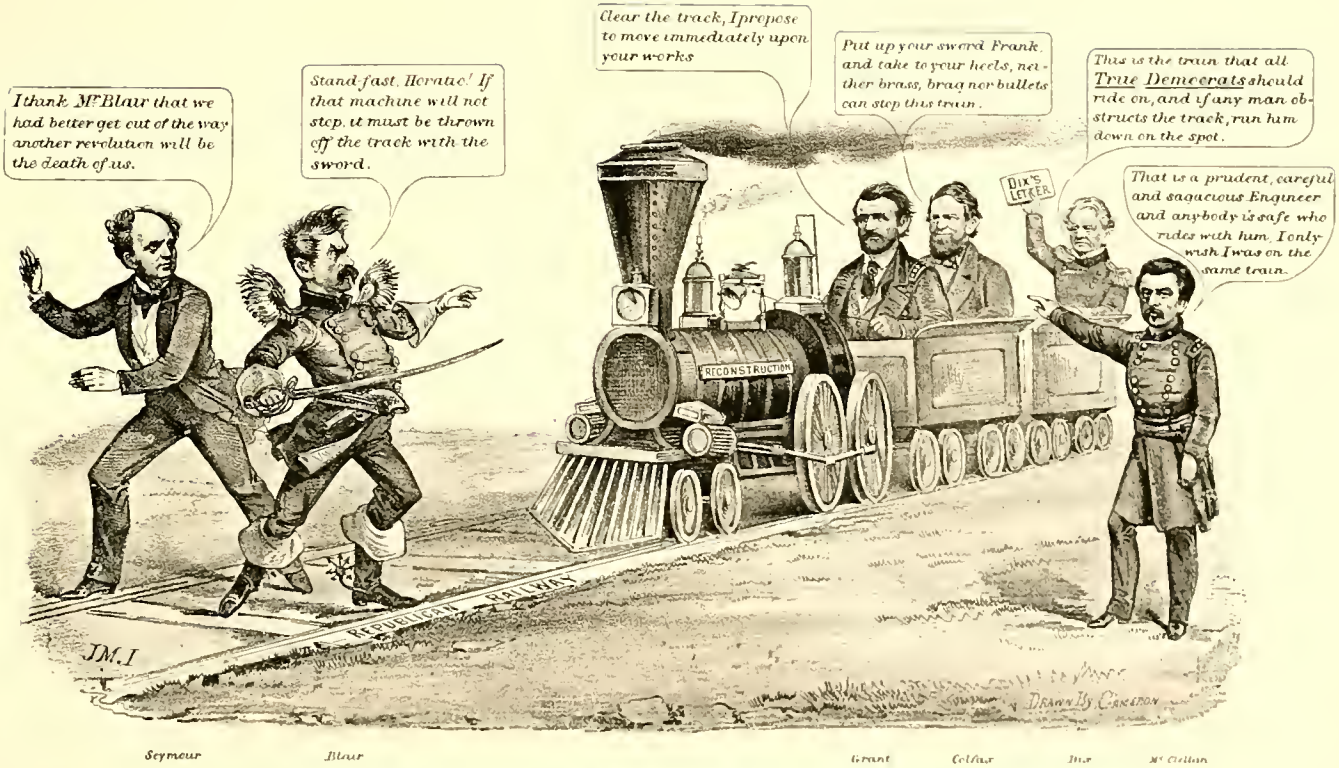
OR "A WHITE MAN'S GOVERNMENT".



A NICE FAMILY PARTY.

The Country may go to you what I want is revenge!
All right Senator I'll take charge of your case.
LETTER TO COLORED CITIZENS
SUMNER'S SPEECH AGAINST GRANT
SUMNER

SELLING OUT CHEAP!


I think Mr Blair that we had better get out of the way another revolution will be the death of us.
Stand fast, Horatio! If that machine will not stop, it must be thrown off the track with the sword.
Clear the track, I propose to move immediately upon your works
Put up your sword Frank, and take to your heels, neither brass, brag nor bullets can stop this train.
This is the train that all True Democrats should ride on, and if any man obstructs the track, run him down on the spot.
That is a prudent, careful and sagacious Engineer and anybody is safe who rides with him. I only wish I was on the same train.
DIX'S LETTER
RECONSTRUCTION
REPUBLICAN RAILWAY
JM.I
DRAWN BY CARLETON
Seymour
Blair
Grant
Colfax
Butler
McClellan

AN IMPENDING CATASTROPHE.

WHITE HOUSE
I can't fight it out on this line against the rising Sun!
Hold on General!— for if we let go, the whole party will go to destruction
I'll bet 5, 10, 15 or 20 dollars on little joker Grant.
Just as I told them! there is no strength in this team! why did'nt they put me and Tilton on the ticket?
I begin to feel a little spooney for with all Grants strength & Colfax to help him we seem to be going backwards.
Why! Old Thad has fallen off the platform!
Well we wont stop to pick him up, its a pity he had'nt fell off before.
I'd rather fall off than ride with an Old scare crow like you.
Seymour
Grant
Colfax
Wilson Stanton
Wendell Phillips
Sun Wade
Butler
Greeley
Sumner
Stevens

THE RADICAL PARTY ON A HEAVY GRADE.

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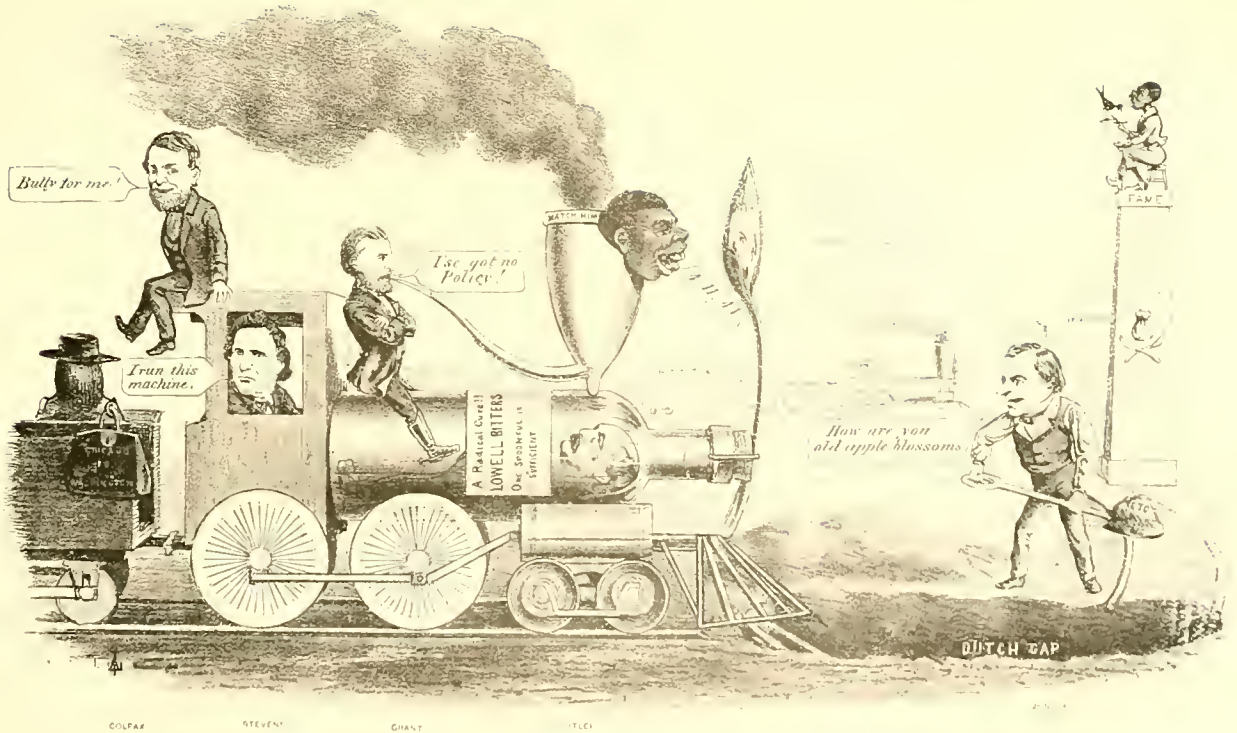

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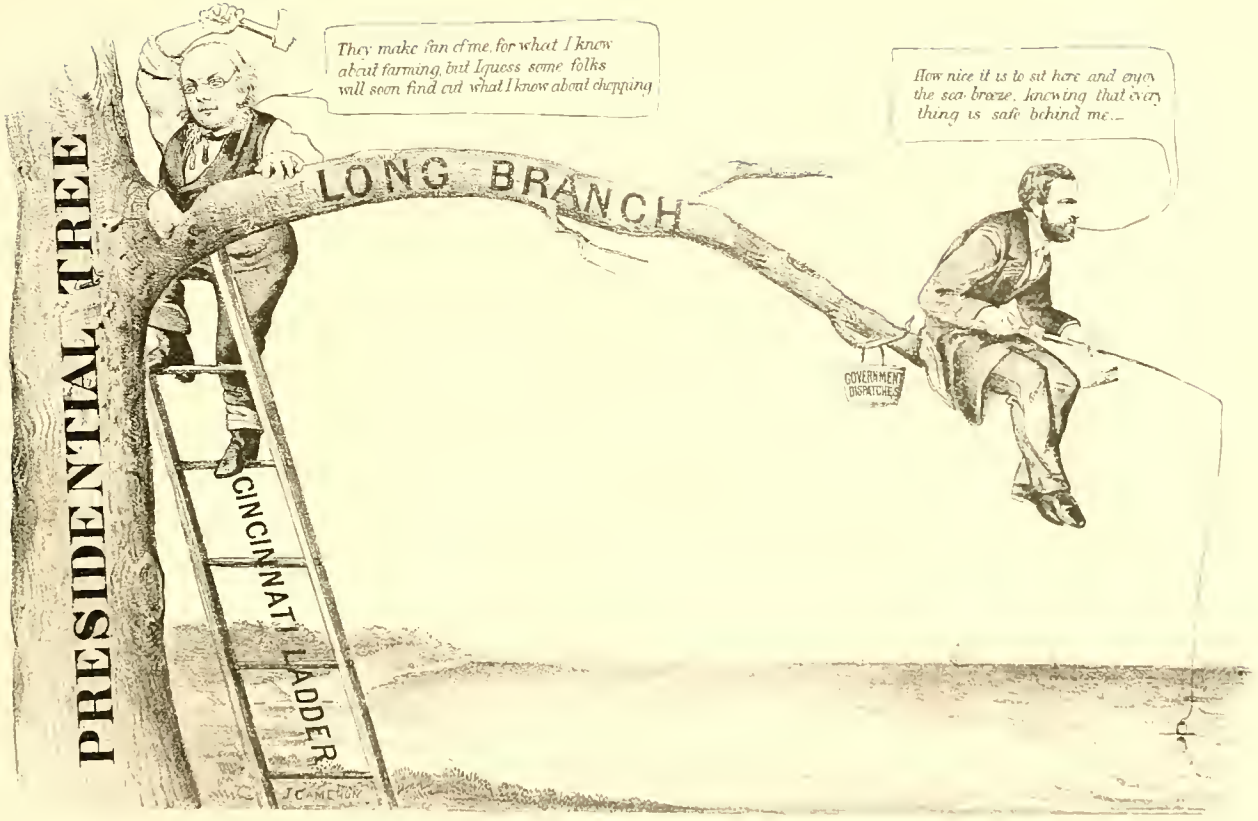
FATE OF THE RADICAL PARTY.


PRESIDENTIAL TREE
They make fun of me, for what I know about farming, but I guess some folks will soon find out what I know about chopping
LONG BRANCH
How nice it is to sit here and enjoy the sea-breeze, knowing that every thing is safe behind me...
GOVERNMENT DISPATCHES
CINCINNATI LADDER
J. CAMERON
GREELY.
GRANT.

THE END OF LONG BRANCH.

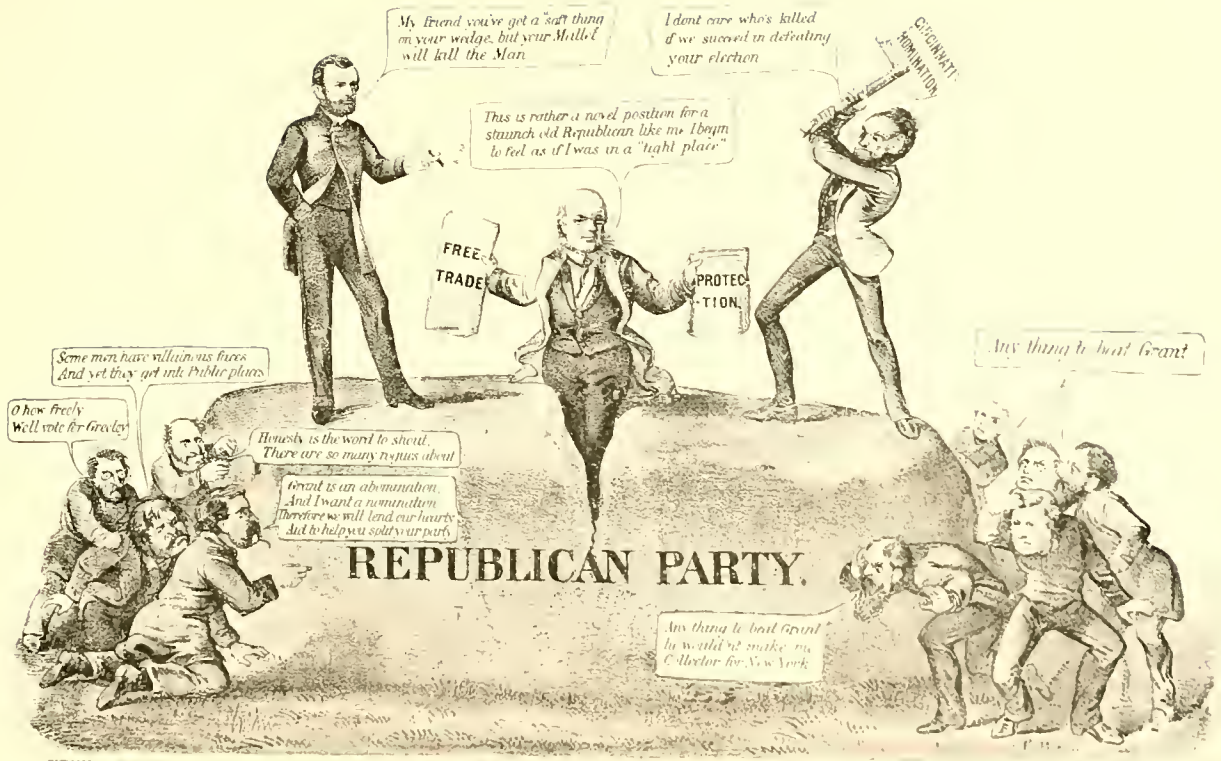
Whosaid Goose? I aim to be an Eagle!!
Sheer off, you lubbers or I'll give you a broadside, you're the same kind of a craft as those we sunk in Mobile Bay
Hurrah for Chase and Dix, if any man shoots the American Flag, pull it down on their spot
Oh George! if we could only get you once more in those boots, we know you would run.
Never mind Pendleton you have not been dug up for nothing, and if you don't get the Nomination, we'll put them off the run again, you anyhow
What a noble bird! how pure and white, he is just the thing for our Democratic nest.
Yes Governor, he's the bird for us, tho' when he was in Lincoln's cage, I took him for a crow.
Oh we are sinking who will save us? Man the shrouds want you
Hic Jacet, Gen B. McClellan 1864.
Pay 'em in Greenbacks
To the Memory of Gen'l Pendleton Politically DEFUNCTED 1864. Resurgam
Brooks
Pendleton
Wood
Mitchell
Hendricks
Barnum
Johnson
Seymour
Hoffman
Rynders
Bennett
Fernando

THE DEMOCRACY IN SEARCH OF A CANDIDATE.

O Horace! tell them what you know about bailing
Im afraid what "I know about sailing" will end in shipwreck
We're going to sink, So lets take a drink!
An old white hat is'nt the thing for a Democrat to go to sea in
I hope we wont drift up sall river for want of a rudder

THE NEW "CONFEDERATE CRUISER."

THE "LAST DITCH OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.


My friend you've got a "soft thing on your wedge, but your Mallet will kill the Man
I dont care who's killed if we succeed in defeating your election
CINCINNATI NOMINATION
This is rather a novel position for a staunch old Republican like me I begin to feel as if I was in a "tight place"
FREE TRADE
PROTEC TION
Any thing to beat Grant
Some men have villainous faces And yet they get into Public places
O how freely We'll vote for Greeley
Honesty is the word to shout, There are so many rogues about
Grant is an abomination, And I want a nomination Therefore we will lend our hearty Aid to help you sold your party
REPUBLICAN PARTY.
Any thing to beat Grant he would'nt make me Collector for N. w York
PUBLISHED
HALL
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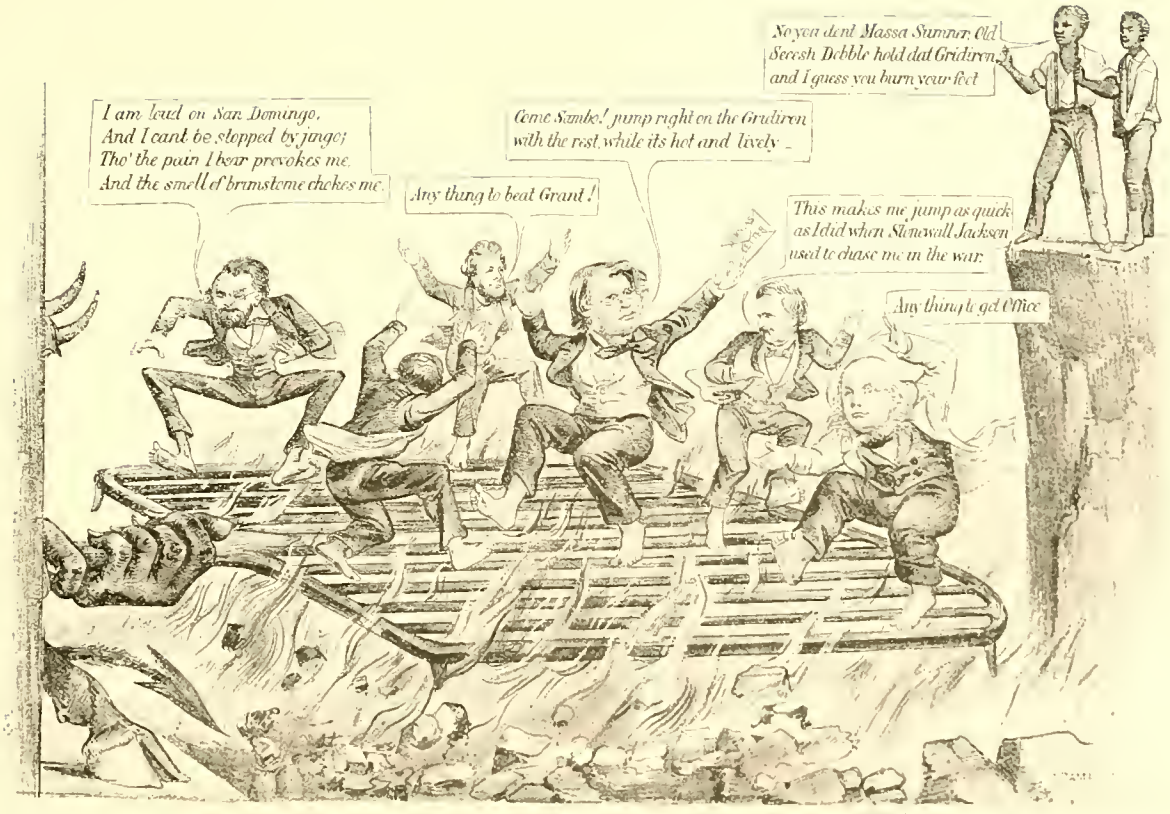
GRANT
CARL SCHURZ

SPLITTING THE PARTY.

The Entering Wedge.

A PHILOSOPHER IN ECSTASY.


No you dont Massa Sumner Old Secesh Debble hold dat Gridiron and I guess you burn your feet
I am loud on San Domingo, And I cant be stopped by jingo; Tho' the pain I bear provokes me, And the smell of brimstone chokes me.
Any thing to beat Grant!
Come Sambo! jump right on the Gridiron with the rest while its hot and lively
This makes me jump as quick as I did when Stonewall Jackson used to chase me in the war.
Any thing to get Office
SUMNER
BUTLER

RED HOT REPUBLICANS ON THE DEMOCRATIC GRIDIRON.

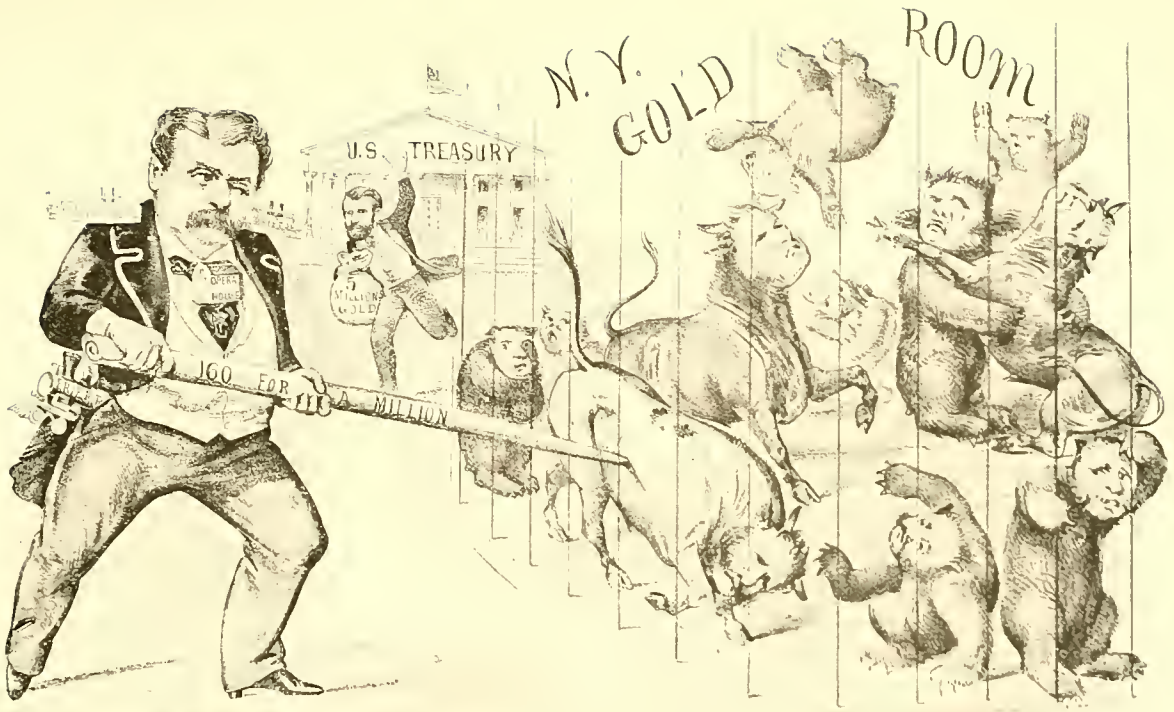
THE SAN DOMINGO WAR DANCE.

Of course Sam and Cassar you'll vote for me your old friend Horace Greeley?
No Mr Greeley we cant vote for you, for behind you we see Jeff Davis and behind him is the old lash and bondage.
We vote as all true hearted colored men will vote for Mr Lincolns friend General Grant who conquered the rebellion & secured our freedom

A "DODGE" THAT WONT WORK.

Silence Silence, dont open your mouth or you'll spoil the whole plot
Let me speak, just once. I want to call somebody a liar
There There, good old man, keep still, and he shall have his picture took
Baby by see a fly Let us catch it you and I
Wretch ! how dare you go back on me, and the spirit of Demosthenes? You promised never to desert me, and now you support another
BELMONT
GREELEY
TILTON
WOODHULL

THE ELEPHANT AND HIS KEEPERS.



BLACK FRIDAY.

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